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SHORTWAVE AIRINGS OF WORLD OF RADIO 1656, February 14-20, 2013

Thu 0430 WRMI 9955 [repeated 1655 this week]
Thu 2200 WTWW 9479 [confirmed]
Fri 0428v WWRB 3195 & 5050 [confirmed]
Sat 0230v WBCQ 5110v-CUSB Area 51 [confirmed at 0232]
Sat 0630 HLR 7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Sat 1430 HLR 7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio [new time confirmed]
Sat 1600 WRMI 9955 [confirmed]
Sun 0500 WTWW 5830
Tue 1200 WRMI 9955
Wed 0630 HLR 7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Wed 1430 HLR 7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio [new time]
Thu 0430 WRMI 9955 [or maybe 1657 if ready in time]
[NOTE: WRMI has cancelled all but three broadcasts in sellout to Brother Scare at 110 hours per week]

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** AFRICA [non]. 11995, Feb 10 at 2024, French talk over awful vuvuzela noise, so I assume it's some silly ballgame being covered by RFI as scheduled here 18-21 from Issoudun, FRANCE.

15150, Feb 10 at 2024, same background noise as on 11995, mentions Nigeria and Burkina Faso, teams? Language maybe Hausa. Nothing in HFCC, so a special booking, whence?

15400, Feb 10 at 2025, more vuvuzela noise like 15150 and 11995. Finally decide commentary here is in English but very heavily accented, as BBCWS is scheduled 15-21 via ASCENSION (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Ummm... Ever hear of the African Cup of Nations? Nigeria beat Burkina Faso for the championship. Is probably only the biggest sporting event on the continent which explains the extra transmissions. Might just be a "silly ball game" to some; but given the state of shortwave radio,

maybe we shouldn't be looking a gift horse in the mouth. Beats yet another preacher in my book! :) (John Figliozzi, Sarasota, FL, Sent from my iPad, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes, I have, but I refuse to take it seriously. Better than preachers? Maybe, barely. If the Africans put all this enthusiasm and energy (and money) into education and development, they would be a lot better off rather than wasting it all on such frivolity which does nothing whatsoever to advance the human condition. This of course goes also for all humans and all stupid ballgames (and puckgames, or whatever). Anyhow, what station/site was 15150? 73, (Glenn, ibid.)

** ALASKA. 7355, WCBC Anchor Point, English service at 1235 UT Feb 11, about exaltation of Jews and King on bible reading. Great signal S=9+35dB into Nara, Japan, remote rx unit. Station ID at 1237 UT by female, followed by guitar player religious song. \\ 9615 kHz, but much tiny on S=7-8 level. Followed about Chicago Tribune retired editor writer report in the news business of the 60ties (Wolfgang B,schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DXLD) So 2 transmitters on

** ANGOLA. 4949.744, 6/2 2010, RNA, Angola, talks, music, low mod, weak. Ciao (Giampiero Bernardini, Excalibur Pro, SDR-IQ, FunCube Pro Plus, Icom R7100, Loop Wellbrook LFL 1010, MaxiWhip con balun 1:32 e 1:40 by A. Capra, <http://radiodxsw.blogspot.it/> Feb 13, playdx yg via DXLD)

R·dio Nacional, Canal A, 4949.74, Mulenvos. Feb 8, 2013. Friday. 0305-0323. Portuguese. Afro music. OM with ID at 0308 "R·dio Nacional d'Angola" then more Afro music. Another ID at 0322 then a Portuguese-style song. Unusually good today. Jo'burg sunrise 0348 (Bill Bingham, RSA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Easily seen on my Perseus, but way too weak to hear any audio at 0335 UT (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, ibid.)

Hi Glenn, Feb 10 was another rare night for me with audio from Angola. 0224-0300 mostly EZL pop songs (one Rap song). 0300-0305, time pips, possibly news. After 0305 religious music and songs. Last checked at 0343 and still with religious music and songs. Poor, but definite audio above threshold level. Am very happy to be hearing ANY audio from them on 4949.74!

At the same time had a continuous open carrier on 7216.70, but not able to pull in any audio. Angola?

Bill Bingham (RSA) responded: "There is definitely a carrier on 7216.7 tonight (Feb 10) at 1705-1720, seems to be unmodulated but difficult to be sure because of severe adjacent channel QRM from CRI on 7220.

It was about this time (actually 1814-1842) that I thought I had Angola with afro music on Jan 27, but it was too poor to get an ID." (Ron Howard, Calif., ibid.)

R·dio Nacional, Canal A. 4949.74, Mulenvos. Feb 11, 2013. Monday. 1842-1854. Portuguese, OM singing a song, then YL announcer, she ID'd as "R·dio Nacional d'Angola" at 1848 (twice). Good. Unusual for me to hear it at night; it's usually an early morning log. Jo'burg sunset 1654 (Bill Bingham, RSA, ibid.)

4949.74, RNA, 0308-0428, Feb 13. What has happened here? For years I was lucky to just hear an open carrier, whereas this month every time I tune in I am hearing audio well above the threshold level. Pop and rap songs; Hi-Li music; in Portuguese with speeches; several clear IDs.

<https://www.box.com/s/lftr3bm6rkia632vh999>

(Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4949.76, Feb 14 at 0102, amid all the LA and Asian carriers and some with audio around the 60m band, I find this JBA African carrier, measured as 6 x 40 Hz clix below 4950 via the DX-398 on the porch, certainly within margin of error to the off-frequency everyone is reporting from RNA, 4949.74. Another log based on little but precision frequency, as no audio for me tho it's being reported with much improved modulation lately (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARGENTINA. 530 kHz, La Voz de las Madres - Argentina! 530, 08/02 0330, R La Voz de las Madres, Buenos Aires, Spanish vs music, YL ann "Espacio publicitario. .. AM 530... telÈfono 4382-6327 La Voz de Las Madres" vs music Cuban to 0400 ID vs music vs styles including MPB, 25232 RU <http://www.ipernity.com/blog/235476>

(PU2LZB/PY2028SWL Renato Uliana, Sony SRF-S84 + RGP3 MW Magnetic Loopstick Antenna, Audio recording performed with the aid of DE1129A, Indaiatuba - SP - Brazil - Grid GG66JV, PU2LZB, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Voltou a RVDLM 530 kHz!!! atÈ h· pouco tempo, silencio total, ou transmissor com 10 Watt, vai saber! N,,o deixa de ser uma emissora interessante de ser captada. Aqui por S,,o Bernardo, j· concorreu com outras como a de Saint Kitts e a FIRS (Ilhas Falklands / Islas Malvinas). ParabÈns pela sintonia! 73, (Rudolf Grimm, S,,o Bernardo SP, Feb 8, ibid.)

Ol· Rudolf e lista, Sim, fazia muito tempo que eu particularmente tambÈm n,,o mais ouvia a RVDLM, e mesmo em variando de locais,

inclusive tentei em Lorena e ItatiaiuÁu mas em AM 530 sÔ tinha um forte QRN. Agora que estou comeÁando a ficar mais tranquilo desde a mudanÁa da capital para c· em Indaiatuba, vamos voltando aos poucos e procurando tempo para me dedicar às escutas, em especial na modalidade do Ultralight DX. ... muito divertido e acabamos nos surpreendendo com o que d· para se fazer com um r·dio t,,o pequeno, paciÍncia e tÉcnicas. 73 a todos e boas escutas (PU2LZB/PY2028SWL Renato Uliana, <http://www.amantesdoradio.com.br> Indaiatuba SP GG66JV, ibid.)

** AUSTRALIA. 4835, VL8A Alice Springs, NT, 1130 to 1135 pop rock vocal, powerful signal with excellent audio using narrow filter on Drake R8B - 3 Feb.

2485, VL8K Katherine NT, 1040 Pop Rock music with OM DJ, into Jingle, brief YL at 1045 stronger signal than 2325 this morning 5 Feb (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D, Icom 746Pro, Drake R8 - 60 meter dipole - AOG, dxsf 1981-2013, Feb 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. Radio Australia - 2130 UT, 11 and 12 February 2013, Radio Australia solid signal on 21740 kHz, as Glenn has previously noted. (NASWA Flashsheet # 571) Excellent level for listening to Asia/Pacific/World news (TOH), weather, stock market and sports! 73's, (Ed Insinger, Summit, NJ, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. Recommended Podcast: Future of Radio --- ABC Radio National's iMedia Report program recently considered the future of radio, a topic of interest for everyone here certainly. The program was broadcast on Radio National and Radio Australia in late December. It gave an excellent overview of the history of radio, as well as the effects of new platforms on its further development as seen from the Australian radio experience. You can hear the podcast and download a transcript from the following link: <http://www.abc.net.au/radionational/programs/mediareport/21-december-2012/4433714> (John Figliozzi, The Worldwide Listening Guide [wwlgonline\(dot\)com](http://www.wlgonline.com) Swprograms mailing list via DXLD)

** AZORES. 5598-USB, Santa Maria, 0007 working flight, 5 Feb. Remember this radio county long ago on SWBC (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D, Icom 746Pro, Drake R8 - 60 meter dipole - AOG, dxsf 1981-2013, Feb 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BAHAMAS [and non]. 4045-USB, Florida, Lakeland, Bel Ami, 1145 to 1220 working sailing vessels in exotic Bahama locations and as far as Dominican Republic, Cuba and Belize. As we slowly expand the hobby and move away from SWBC only - 3 Feb

4045-USB, Bahamas, New Providence, 1200 sailing vessel with weather forecast 2 Feb.

4045-USB, Bahamas, Mayaguana, 1236 radio check and weather conditions
2 Feb.

4045-USB, Bahamas, Cat Island, 1155 radio and weather check 3 Feb
(Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D, Icom 746Pro,
Drake R8 - 60 meter dipole - AOG, dxsf 1981-2013, Feb 10, DX LISTENING
DIGEST)

** BANGLADESH. 31/1, 4750, seems back from 4752 per emails. 1549-1555.
News in English, S6. 1612 with presumed Hindu sermons (Zacharias
Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Not Moslem? (gh)

4750, Bangladesh Betar, Feb 05 1346-1401, 43443 Bengali, Bangladesh
music and talk, ID at 1400 (Kouji Hashimoto, Japan, RX and ANT: IC-
R75+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-525+RD-9830+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-515+35m
Long Wire, NRD-345+35m Long Wire, Satellite 750+30m Long Wire DE-1130,
DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BANGLADESH. 15105, Bangladesh Betar, Dhakah, *1229-1233. Extremely
weak but steady signal heard at 1229 with IS. Programming began at
1232 with ID in English by a woman followed by what appeared to be
news. Recheck at 1247 found South Asian music and a slightly stronger
signal. 2/9/2013 (Jim Evans, Germantown TN, Perseus, IC-R75, RX-340,
ALA100M Loop, Eavesdropper Dipole, Random Wire (90')), NASWA Flashsheet
via WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DXLD)

15105, 09/Feb 1240, Bangladesh Betar in English. OM talk. Abruptly
went off the air at 1242, returned at 1243. Local pop music at 1244.
Fair with unidentified QRM, maybe Ham Radio. 33333. 73 (Jorge Freitas,
Feira de Santana, Bahia, 12 14~~Y~~S 38 58~~Y~~W - Brasil, logged from rural
area, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BELARUS. 7255, 1515-1525 10.02, Belaruskaje Radyjo 1, Minsk,
Belarusian ann and songs 45343 (RadioJet 55444) Best 73, (Anker
Petersen, Denmark, comparative loggings on my new PC-driven DX-
receiver, the RadioJet 1102S from the German firm Bonito, and my
traditional AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire. When the QRK-
value was different on the two receivers, it is mentioned, playdx yg
via DXLD)

** BELGIUM [non]. 17870-17875-17880, Feb 10 at 2022, no DRM noise
today from BRB's The Disco Palace Radio via GUIANA FRENCH: is it off
temporarily or permanently? Still scheduled at 20-21 thru 31 March.

17870-17875-17880, Feb 11 at various chex between 20 and 21 UT, can't
hear any DRM noise from BRB's 'The Disco Palace' via GUIANA FRENCH.
However this was on the DX-392 as I was out & about around Enid, and

it was hard to find spots where the line noise was low enough to be sure it wasn't masking the DRM, which was definitely absent 24 hours before on the home rigs. May be due to transmitter downtime at MontsinÈry.

17870-17875-17880, Feb 13 at 2000+, no DRM noise from BRB's The Disco Palace for several days now. Checked the drmnayg and no mention of this; guess nobody cares or has noticed (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BHUTAN. 6035.04, BBS. Nice to find them with a somewhat extended schedule on Feb 7 from 1311 to 1417*. Segments of talking and indigenous music; 1335-1355 the often heard cute segment with young girl singing solo (no music) and chatting with YL; after 1401 talking; poor with the usual PBS Yunnan QRM and adjacent splatter/QRM (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÙn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 3310, Radio Mosoj Chaski, Cochabamba, 0000 to 0015 and 0855 to 0915 YL music, good signal - 5 Feb (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D, Icom 746Pro, Drake R8 - 60 meter dipole - AOG, dxsf 1981-2013, Feb 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 4716.65, Radio Yatun Ayllu Yura, Yura, 0000 to 0020, strong signal mixing with voice ute, later into music and regular espaòol programming, 5 Feb. A regular signal 1000 mornings (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D, Icom 746Pro, Drake R8 - 60 meter dipole - AOG, dxsf 1981-2013, and XM - Cedar Key - South Florida, NRD 525D, R8A, E-5, Feb 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4716.9, Feb 9 at 0051, weak music, presumed R. Yatun Ayllu Yura, Yura; much stronger SSB QRM on hi side. RYAY is slightly on the low side of 4717, most reports showing it further than this (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4805, Brasil, R·dio Difusora do Amazonas, Manaus, 0950 hard driving rock music, YL vocals and locutor em portuguÍs - 3 Feb (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D, Icom 746Pro, Drake R8 - 60 meter dipole - AOG, dxsf 1981-2013, Feb 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4885, Brasil, R·dio Clube do Par·, BelÈm, PA, 1000-1020 enchanting OM vocal in Portuguese, very strong signal 3 Feb.-- 0700 to 0722 OM chat in Portuguese, strong signal into instrumental music 5 Feb (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D, Icom 746Pro, Drake R8 - 60 meter dipole - AOG, dxsf 1981-2013, Feb 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4894.9, Brasil, Rádio Novo Tempo, Campo Grande. 1000 to 1010 weak, Portuguese under CODAR 3 Feb (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D, Icom 746Pro, Drake R8 - 60 meter dipole - AOG, dxsf 1981-2013, Feb 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. BRASIL, 6180, R. Nacional da Amazônia, Feb 11 0655-0705, 35333, Portuguese, Music, ID at 0700, // 11780 kHz (Kouji Hashimoto, Japan, RX and ANT: IC-R75+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-525+RD-9830+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-515+35m Long Wire, NRD-345+35m Long Wire, Satellite 750+30m Long Wire DE-1130, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 11764.856, Super Radio Deus É Amor
11780 even, R Nacional Amazônia
11925.200, R Bandeirantes, São Paulo
5035.000, R Aparecida, even frequency
4974.981, R Iguatami Osasco, SP
4885.016, UNID Brazilian, ID at 0716 UT, R Clube do Par., Belém PA
9629.980, R Aparecida, SP, // 11854.927 kHz
9645.383, R Bandeirantes, São Paulo, SP
9664.890, R Voz Missionária, Florianópolis SC
9819.234, Very ODD frequency, R Nove de Julho, São Paulo SP (Wolfgang B. schell, circa 0620-0745 UT Feb 7, eastern coast remote SDR stations in MA / NY, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. Radio Brazil Central generating a strong signal spurious and distorted, until that is heard on the radio remote Twente, NL. Here in my QTH no signal at 11815, but from 11874 to 11910 the signal appears. 73 (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, 12 14ZS 38 58ZV - Brasil, 0315 UT Feb 10, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Just checked here in Montreal. Nothing on 11815, but after a careful scan of 11850-11950 kHz area at 0330 UT, no sign of any distortion or spur here. Very flat S5 noise level through all of the 25 meter band at my location (Gilles Letourneau, Montreal, Canada, 0330 UT Feb 10, ibid.)

Recording of the audio on 11895, in remote radio from Twente, NL.
<http://www.ipernity.com/doc/75006/14240285/>
73 (Jorge Freitas, ibid.)

Caro Jorge: O que relata sucede, por vezes, c/ a R. Brasil Central nos 11815, c/ espalhamento que chega a afectar, por ex., a R. Aparecida, nos 11855v.

Sabe o que se passa c/ os 4985? Há j. meses (!) que o sinal não é, nem por sombras, aquele a estava habituado, ou seja, bastante forte; agora, não só é fraco como, por vezes, c/ percentagem de modulação, demasiado baixa,

E como se isso n,,o bastasse, agora, costuma haver um sinal de teletipo na freq., enfim, prtticamente nos 4985, mas chega bem p/ molestar bastante.

Outra emissora v/ c/ espalhamento ocasional, por sobremodulaÁ,,o, nos 25 m, È a SRDA, 11765, ltimamente, algo abaixo da freq. nominal.

Bons DX e melhores 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, ibid.)

Caro Carlos. Eu vou ver se consigo entrar em contato com a R·dio Brasil Central sobre o problema dos sinais esp·rios nos 25 metros. Quanto ‡ frequÍncia de 4985 eu n,,o tenho informaÁ,,o, apesar de tambÈm perceber que h· muitos meses, mais de um ano na verdade, que o seu sinal est· fraco e atÈ mesmo aqui em Feira de Santana o sinal est· quase sempre inaudível, antes chegava atÈ cedo pela manh,, com um bom sinal. Eu solicitei ajuda sobre o assunto a outros colegas no grupo iNo mundo do dexismoô no Facebook, e espero obter alguma resposta. Com respeito ‡ SRDA em 11765 o que eu tenho percebido que abaixo da RNA, ela possui sempre a melhor recepÁ,,o por aqui durante todo o dia e noite e realmente algumas das vezes eu a observo com uma modulaÁ,,o saturada, mas o degen 1103 n,,o possui precis,,o de frequÍncia decimal, mas eu vou verificar.

Na oportunidade agradeÁo a sua mensagem e aos seus ricos logs, especialmente da situaÁ,,o das emissoras brasileiras em ondas curtas na Europa. Um abraÁo, (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, 12 14XS 38 58YW - Brasil, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 29 Jan, 15191.5, InconfidÍncia, 1859-1915 with talks. At 1900 with a lengthy ID, 1906 a song played with guitar only, phone in discussions and again back to same type of songs on 1915. S4 max 25333, QRM from 15190 presumed PHL (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISENING DIGEST)

** BULGARIA. Digital text soon via The Mighty KBC, 9450 --- just emerged with a fair signal, no interference, on 9450 via Bulgaria.

This weekend, the digital text transmissions on The Mighty KBC will feature images. At about 0130 UT, an image and some text in the MFSK32 mode will be centered on 1500 Hertz. And text in the PSKR250 mode will be centered on 2500 Hertz.

At just before 0200, an image in MFSK32 will be centered on 1000 Hertz, and another image in MFSK16 centered on 2000 Hertz. Decode one from your radio, the other from your recording.

All of these can be decoded using Fldigi from <http://www.w1hkj.com>

(Kim Elliott, <http://www.kimandrewelliott.com> 0007 UT Feb 10 dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The Mighty KBC, 0040 on 9450 from Kostinbrod, 45554 in Sofia (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, *ibid.*)

Mighty KBC February 10, 2013, 0000-0200 UT 9450 kHz. Broadcast began with audio problems of scratchy audio and no audio. At 0002 audio problems fixed. Fair signal with no QRM until 0117 when signal strength dropped off. Digital tests at 0129 and 0159 were not very good this week. SDR capture of the broadcast
<http://misc.kg4lac.com\2013-2-10-MightyKBC-0000-0200UTC-9450kHz.zip>

2013-2-10 0159 UTC MFSK16 centered on 2000 Hz

Sending Pic:135x79C;
with a color (blue background, white text) "KBC" image

see image at
<http://misc.kg4lac.com\2013-2-10-MightyKBC-9450kHz-0159UTC-MFSK16centeredon2000Hz.jpg>

2013-2-10 0159 UTC MFSK32 centered on 1000 Hz

Sending Pic:397x123;
with a black and white "The Mighty KBC" image

see image at
<http://misc.kg4lac.com\2013-2-10-MightyKBC-9450kHz-0159UTC-MFSK32centeredon1000Hz.jpg>

2013-2-10 0129 UTC PSKR250 centered on 2500 Hz [sic:::]
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2013-2-10 0129 UTC MFSK32 centered on 1500 Hz

Sending Pic:235x141;

with a black and white photo of Eric van Willegen; see image at
[misc.kg4lac.com/2013-2-10-MightyKBC-9450kHz-0129UTC-](http://misc.kg4lac.com/2013-2-10-MightyKBC-9450kHz-0129UTC-MFSK32centeredon1500Hz.jpg)
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73, (Kraig, KG4LAC, Krist, Manassas, Virginia, United States of
America, *ibid.*)

Picture is from the Mighty KBC website. Here is the much better color
picture.

<http://www.kbcradio.eu/index.php?dir=djs/eric-van-willegen>

73, Kraig, KG4LAC, *ibid.*)

** BULGARIA. New UNIDentified station in Arabic or Somali was observed
on Feb. 11: 1600-1700 on 11620 to Eritrea from Kostinbrod, POWERFUL
SIGNAL in Sofia. Weak signal also on second harmonic 23240.

Correct time is 1600-1656 on 11620 and from 1657 move to 11560 for
Dimtse Radio Erena 1700-1730 -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria,
Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire 1640 UT Feb 11, dxldyg via
WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11620, 12/Feb 1647, UNID in Arabic/Somali, Om talk, instrumental
music. At 1650 local pop music. Very good signal in SDR from Twente.
No signal in my QTH, nor a very weak JBA. At 1655 OM back to talk. At
1656 end of transmission (Jorge Freitas, Brasil, *ibid.*)

Idhaa-tu Sharoopaa (or Sharooka) is a new station in Arabic: 1600-1656
on 11620 SOF 050 kW / 195 deg to EaAf POWERFUL SIGNAL in Sofia. Weak
signal also on second harmonic 23240. First was observed on Feb. 11
(Ivo Ivanov, FEB 12, *ibid.*)

Recording of the closure of the station, listening SDR from Twente NL:

<http://www.ipernity.com/doc/75006/14251860/>
73 (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, ibid.)

But I don't hear any such ID on this clip (gh, DXLD)

Hello DXers, I listened to the file; it is Arabic with African accent, but no ID mentioned or times of the transmission. Just a note stating we have reached the end of the transmission and looking forward for our next one. All the best (Tarek Zeidan, Cairo, Egypt, ibid.)

** CANADA. CBU site upgrades --- Glenn, here is an interesting article on how the CBC replaced its anchor piles for CBU 690 transmitter site: <http://public-value.cbc.radio-canada.ca/story/34/> (Andy Reid, Ont., Feb 13, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. 740, Feb 10 at 0634 UT, Satchmo atop KRMG, and from further north, no doubt CFZM; 0635 mention Fort Erie, ``Toronto's AM 740``; makes 44/minute SAH with KRMG = 0.7333--- Hz. Maybe assisted by ``740, KRMG, Tulsa ñ Applies for STA; station has discovered its night pattern is out of tolerance and will reduce night power until problem is identified and solved`` as in AM Switch, NRC DX News Jan 7 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. 800, Feb 10 at 0632 UT, ad for event at St. Anne's School, 519-254-1108. 519 is the AC for Windsor, so no doubt CKLW, and DF fits, certainly not OKC, as this happened to be in a temporary fade from XEROK, usual dominator and close to opposite direxion, which soon resurged (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. 1430, Feb 13 at 0640 UT, some strange language catches my ear vs heavy pileup QRM; intonation sounds somewhat Esperanto which suggests a CRI relay tho supposedly only in English or Chinese, but followed by South Asian-sounding song at 0644.

There are plenty of ETHnic or Asian stations on the 3+ pages for 1430 in the NRC AM Log 2012-2013, in California, Georgia, Illinois, Louisiana, New Jersey, none very likely due to distance, night power (or daytime only in Morgan City LA, primarily Cajun).

Perhaps best bet is 50 kW day & night CHKT Toronto, listed as Chinese/ETH. NRC Antenna Pattern Book 2005 showed all its signals day and night go NNW, but Canadians typically ignore such rules. Do others who are not NNW from Toronto hear CHKT?

Ah., found the CHKT program grid
<http://www.am1430.com/en/scheduler.php>
which shows Punjabi at 12-5 am ET daily, (Sanjha Punjab Radio), so this is a tentative rather than unID log. They have lots of Asian

languages, not just Mandarin and Cantonese (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, I am not sure if the pattern for CHKT has changed over the years, but when they were CFGM / Richmond Hill I could hear them faintly during daylight hours in Western New York. The contour map shown at <http://www.radio-locator.com> shows the definite NNW emphasis but also shows a SSE emphasis as well (Richard Cuff / Allentown, PA USA, ODXA yg via DXLD)

A number of Toronto mediumwave transmitters are located in the area between Grimsby and St. Catharines (southwest of Toronto on the west end of Lake Ontario) and broadcast to the NNE. CHKT is different as it was CJCL before it moved to 590. Its transmitters were located on the Toronto Islands and, since the ethnic groups they broadcast to largely live to the west and northwest of Toronto, they would naturally beam NNW (Mark Coady, Ont., ibid.)

** CANADA. RCI SACKVILLE PETITION --- The site remains. If you agree with the following petition please sign at <http://www.change.org/petitions/ministers-of-heritage-public-safety-and-the-cbc-stop-dismantling-canada-s-only-int-l-broadcasting-site-rci-sackville>

To:

Hon. James Moore, Heritage Minister
Hon. Vic Toews, Minister of Public Safety
Senator Hugh D. Segal, Senate of Canada
Kirk LaPointe, CBC Ombudsman
Pierre Tourangeau, L'ombudsman de Radio-Canada

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- 2) Compromise to Canada's domestic security. The RCI Sackville site is the only transmission site in Canada that can single-handedly broadcast to the entire country, should other communications systems--such as internet/satellite--fail. Unquestionably, this is the only facility in Canada that can do this.
- 3) No international voice. This is the only broadcasting site that sits firmly on Canadian soil, and that can be used to send Canada's message across the globe as well as within the country and to overseas territories.
- 4) Once it's gone, it's gone. It takes just one hour to take down one of the site's 28 antennas, but fully two months to put one of them back up. Clearly, this infrastructure cannot be reconstructed without a lot of time, expertise, and undue expense.

But there's also this fact, one which those holding the purse strings are clearly unaware: Just this year, after many years of design and implementation, the Sackville site became completely remote-controllable. This new system, which permits the site to operate virtually unstaffed, is amazingly well-designed, a marvel of current technology; it's also a pricey innovation--one for which Canada has only just paid. Why dismantle that?

While it may sound like an information dinosaur, fair game for hacking from a budget, this is 2012 radio--strategically positioned to provide Canada's future with as yet untapped communications capabilities. Most Canadians don't realize that radio is faster than the internet, streaming wirelessly at the speed of light. Moreover, Sackville's site has the ability to broadcast in a digital format, based on the same format (AAC) that iTunes uses for music downloads. Even if the internet goes down.

But realistically, can RCI Sackville be saved? The answer is, of course: Simply scale down the number of transmitters on the air, the

number of crew manning the facility. If necessary, do as many other transmitter facilities are currently doing: sell air time to private broadcasters, a potential profit-making venture.

In the United States, politicians and supporters of a VOA transmission site slated for closure made their voices heard; the US site was instead re-dedicated in early 2012, and a renewed commitment made to its future. Let us seriously consider following the US example--or, at the very least, have the wisdom to preserve our communication tools for international diplomacy and domestic security for future generations.

Thank you very much for your prompt attention to this vital matter.
Sincerely,
[Your name]

(via Mike Terry, Feb 13, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DXLD)

Even though I'm not a Canadian citizen, I must voice my support for the retention of the Sackville Broadcasting Facility. From Sackville, all of Canada and most of the USA are covered by the transmissions produced there. This is beyond the politics of money: it is within the realm of a Canadian Heritage of communication to the world, for the world with a distinctive Canadian point of view and dialect. It is truly remiss of the Government of Canada to let the Sackville Broadcasting Facility expire into the rubble of petty myopic squabbling.

There is a true need for Northern Canada to be heard, with their voice of culture and ways unknown to most others of the world. There is a distinct need to have a Broadcast Facility, modern in design and function, that can act as a voice during emergency times throughout Canada and environs nearby. There is a real need to provide an alternate and reliable form of communication to all of Canada at any time. There is a real need for Canada to have its diverse cultures and ways known, to the extent that its native languages be given that voice for all diaspora.

Taking away the Sackville Broadcasting Facility takes away a part of Canada's Heritage and its Culture for the sake of technology and money. These two reasons are faulty, and untrustworthy, as they lead to a Country without a culture, a country without a voice, a country that needs an e-mail address and a password to listen to radio. With the flip of a switch and a rotation of the tuning dial, the culture and heritage of Canada becomes extant. Without the Sackville Broadcasting Facility, Canada's Heritage and Culture fade from existence as the setting Sun (Paul S. in CT, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA [non]. New broadcast of Bible Voice Broadcasting Network in Farsi was observed on Wed, Feb. 6. Very strong and stable signal, 55544 in Sofia: 1430-1630 on 7465 probably test of MBR. But nothing was heard on Feb. 7/8! 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, Feb 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHILE. Historia de Calera de Tango Chile: Report about the large shortwave radio station in Calera de Tango, Chile which was originally built by the Pinochet government for use as The Voice of Chile, and was later sold to the Christian Vision religious broadcasting organization. The report by Luis Valderas was excerpted from the syndicated program iFrecuencia al Dia produced by Dino Bloise in Miami.

<https://soundcloud.com/world-radio-day/historia-de-calera-de-tango>
(Dino Bloise, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [and non]. Firedrake Feb 7:
9490, very good at 1449 with flutter, atop CCI in Chinese. New spot for FD? Target is VOA Tinang in Mandarin during this hour only, probably normally jammed by CNR1 instead.

Firedrake Feb 8:
6240, fair at 1345, unusual spot: Aoki has the answer:
6240*SOH Xi Wang Zhi Sheng 1300-1400 1234567 Chinese 100 310 BauJong
TWN 12018E 2343N SOH b12 Jan 13-
No bandscan for more FD today.

Firedrake Feb 9:
9315, very poor at 1445
12370, very poor at 1435
12500, very poor at 1435
12980, poor at 1433, first found, so worth further bandscanning
but none higher in the 13s, 14s, 15s, 16s, 17s by 1444

9905, Feb 7 at 1558, CNR1 jamming VG atop Chinese talk from RFA PALAU. CNR1 is playing Chinese version of ``I've Never Been to Me'', one-hit wonder from 1982 by Charlene (Soraia), gist of which is avoiding becoming an old maid, surely an objective of the ChiCom as well, just don't have more than one offspring, preferably male. See this with lyrix and nice stillustrations:
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QhQWND9jKDA>
And think of how it could apply to Chinese women in the unlikely event it's been faithfully translated.

All this on 9905 at 15-18 (plus Tinian at 18-20) means WTWW needs to find another frequency in the mornings, as it plans to add programming

in March with regular broadcasting. Or get RFA to move, taking its jammers with it.

17730, Feb 11 at 0103, Firedrake, poor mixing with something. Aoki shows it's Radio Free Asia in Tibetan at 0100-0300, 250 kW, 230 degrees from Ulaanbaatar, MONGOLIA, a site not ever acknowledged by RFA, presumably on request of the host country. Checked a few other FD frequencies in the 15s, 16s, 17s, 18s but found none (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11635, Feb 12 at 1349, quite an eclectic music mix on CNR1 jammer against weak VOA Chinese via Thailand at 12-14 --- ``Tequila!`` and then a Strauss march, CJKT/ZRGD IDs in passing, // many other frequencies, some of them possibly not jammers. Jam probably stops at 1400 when Taiwan in Thai takes over 11635.

NO Firedrakes found 10-18 MHz, scanned upward until 1351.

7435, Feb 12 at 1357 tone test, 1358 start playing Radio Exterior de Espa a IS as inexplicably usual for years, prior to CRI Nepali service via Kunming; also barely audible amid SSB QRhAM on // 7220 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [and non]. 4800, Feb 10 at 0053, two very poor signals, but atop is matched to 960, i.e. 5 x 960 local KGWA Enid, vs CNR1 Geermu (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 5050, Beibu Bay Radio (BBR), 1300, Feb 12. Time pips; iThe time now is 10PM, Beibu Bay Radioi; sound of cuckoo; followed by multi-language IDs (iFM 96.4 Guangxi Beibu Bay Radioi); 1400 with same format; AIR Aizawl off the air today. Thanks to Dave Valko who first noted this new time format last month.

<https://www.box.com/s/mz4o5l0e3svvtrebxn6s>

(Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, Et n E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 9870, Seldom observed terrible co-channel QRM by very same broadcaster noted here on 1300-1357 UT time slot, Feb 11. Registered are two 500 kW powerhouse units at Xian transmission site, one Russian service at azimuth towards 292 degrees, the other to S Asia at 200 degrees in English, which is weaker signal at Nara, Japan receiving post (Wolfgang B.schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DXLD)

** CLIPPERTON ISLAND. TX5, (Update). The following update was posted on February 5th, on the TX5K Clipperton Island DXpedition Web page [edited]:

"Nearly all the equipment has been assembled, and most has been

packed. Transportation will be by truck on February 12th. The boat (Shogun, San Diego) will be loaded on Friday, February 15th. We have implemented a new domain for the expedition: [invisible]
We have also implemented a BLOG <http://ky6r.com> (link is also on the TX5K homepage) where you can read and enter comments.

We have completed development and emplacing of DXA (version 2). It can be accessed by the link on the TX5K home page, or directly at [missing].

Until the DXpedition goes QRV, the display will be a simulation. Comments on the blog before, during, or after, are most welcome. The webmaster during the DXpedition will be Rich, KY6R. Please send any news stories or other interesting information to him for possible sharing on the blog or general publicity."

(Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1099, February 11, 2013, Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio) via Dave Raycroft, ODXA yg

So what are the activity dates of this DXpedition? (gh, DXLD)

** COLOMBIA. 5909.929, Alcaraván R, Lomalinda, Puerto Lleras (Wolfgang B, schel, circa 0620-0745 UT Feb 7, eastern coast remote SDR stations in MA / NY, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CONGO DR [non]. SOUTH AFRICA, 11690, R. Okapi via Meyerton, Feb 06 0418-0432, 24332, French, Talk, Drums and ID at 0422 (Kouji Hashimoto, Japan, RX and ANT: IC-R75+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-525+RD-9830+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-515+35m Long Wire, NRD-345+35m Long Wire, Satellite 750+30m Long Wire DE-1130, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. Morning log in 0620 to 0745 UT slot on Feb 7 show also THREE Cuban jamming stations - seemingly 24 hours on air - on 9565, 9955 and 11935 kHz, all S=7-8 signal on eastern coast of North America (Wolfgang B, schel, Feb 7, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

You mean 11930, not 11935. Believe it or not, 9955 jammer is sometimes off the air, not necessarily when WRMI is off (gh, DXLD)

** CUBA. Came across unID English news station at 0656 to 0700 UT close down, S=8-9 proper signal on eastern coast remote SDR stations in MA / NY. Noted some Malvinas islas items, surprise, surprise, - is harmonic of fundamental RHC La Habana news of 6125 kHz fundamental, latter which is on S=9+45dB level on east coast. Close down at 0700 UT sharp (Wolfgang B, schel, Feb 7, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) WTFK? Presumably 12250 (gh) As in later version (gh)

6010, UT Sunday Feb 10 at 0707, no signal from RHC where Esperanto is scheduled, instead COLOMBIA, and no RHC on any other 49 or 59 mb frequency either.

15340, Feb 10 at 1405, RHC with habitual deadair on Sunday mornings, so understation HCJB Australia could be detected, but modulation had resumed by 1451 with RHC song, then 'En Cía del Dr'.

6145-6185, Feb 11 at 0050, RHC English service at 0100 is already on early and modulating Spanish instead from 6165, with heavy splatter out to here, including overriding Brasil 6180. Fortunately cleared up somewhat by 0100.

6010, Feb 11 at 0619, RHC English is amodulated, just open carrier easily audiblizing het with still mashed COLOMBIA, so Arnie has to make do with only four overkill frequencies instead of five.

6125, Feb 12 at 0639, huge buzz from RHC transmitter atop its useless English; pitch varies slightly, and program modulation cuts out a bit. Wiggle that patchcord? Other four frequencies 6165, 6060, 6010 and 5040 are OK. BTW, Wolfgang B,schel also heard an harmonic recently from 6125, presumably 12250.

Also hear weak buzz of same pitch at 5895 at 0640, which would be leapfrog of 6125 over 6010 another 115 kHz lower, then gone, fell below threshold?

Feb 12 morning missing frequency is 13780 at 1526 check, while 17730, 17580, 15340 are on, but always weak 15230 not confirmed until 1556. See also TURKEY

11845, Feb 13 at 1410, rather heavy pulse jamming against nothing: only one sesquimonth to go before R. Martí axually resumes an A-season-only frequency.

15340, Feb 13 at 2004, RHC is in English!! like on 11760, while 15340 is supposed to be in Portuguese. Tough luck, Lusitanians, as 15340 is supposed to be aimed 53 degrees per Aoki, tho as always is much stronger here to the northwest than non-direxional 11760 is.

5990, Feb 14 at 0101, CRI relay supposed to quit by 0100 is still going, having switched from Spanish to English, opening 'Beijing Hour', and still even past 0103.5 check, but by 0105 modulation has been cut tho carrier remains, fortunately by now not splashing upon 5980 PERU, q.v. (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. EstaÁ,,o de n'meros HM01 --- Acessei online via web, com o SDR Console, o SDR-IQ de W1NT, o sintonizei remotamente em 9240 kHz USB,

ajustando a largura e posição do filtro para o sinal RDFT, transferi o áudio via mixer para o DIGTRX e decodifiquei ao vivo o arquivo TXT encriptado:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ij1Tnv890Ng>

73 de (Roland PY4ZBZ, Feb 13, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

But it remains encrypted; you just get to see the numbers (gh, DXLD)

** CYPRUS [and non]. 17850, Feb 7 at 1435, broadcaster is badly bothered by intruding OTH radar pulsing ranging 17840-17865: it's RFI Pashto this semihour, 500 kW, 85 degrees from Issoudun. Why invade the broadcast band when there are scads of empty utility channels 16-21 MHz?? See also GUAM for link to OTHR info, but unfortunately no audio clip of the one from Cyprus (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** DIEGO GARCIA. 4319-USB, AFN, 0000 to 0002 news items in English "DOW rises over 14,000 for the first time since the Oct 2008 crash," 3 Feb. Trick seems to catch this at 2340 before the 0003 killer ute cuts in and demolishes the often great signal.

4319-USB, Diego Garcia, AFN wide open with rock music at 2354 to 0007. Great signal News on the hour dealing with storm in New England. 0003 to 0007, Back to music (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, la Florida, EE. UU. de Norteamérica, Feb 8, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Diego García está entrando por ac. en 4319 kHz USB, bastante limpia, se escucha 0018 UT (Ernesto Paulero, Argentina, UT Feb 9, condiglist yg via DXLD)

Since 0107 I have been listening to AFN Diego Garcia on 12759-USB, locally originated morning show. More details in my next log report. 73, (Glenn Hauser, OK, 0144 UT Feb 12, dxldyg via DXLD)

Yes, Glenn, With very weak signal, but audible in my Degen. At 0157 music (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana Bahia, 12 14ZS 38 58ZLW - Brasil, ibid.)

AFN: You'd never know there is any SW from the WRTH 2013 national radio listing under BIOT, and you'd never know there is anything other than Los Angeles relays in the first entry under USA, AFRTS in the international section.

Nor in the SW frequency section would you know where to find its listings, as ``12759 3 [kW] DGA DGA AFRTS(AFN Feeder) is all it says. Diego Garcia is not a country header anywhere else in the book.

Nor would you know the time schedule for frequency changes. Aoki shows

02-14 for this frequency and 14-02 for 4319 which is anyway totally blocked here by ute.

I also hunted thru past months` DG logs in DXLDs, mainly for an e-mail address. Found this:

``Estimado Ernesto, con mucho gusto: AFN desde Diego Garcia:
QSL@mediacen.navy.mil Con copia a: gray@mediacen.navy.mil
QSL@dodmedia.osd.mil 73 (Dino Bloise, FL, ibid.) Doesn't look like
any of those would go direct to DG (gh, DXLD)``

And in DXLD 12-20 there was another 12759 log before 0200 last May 15:

``AFN - Diego Garcia - 12759 USB 0130 UT --- Strong signal tonight
into Manassas, VA on an IC-R75 with a Windom Antenna. If you haven't
heard this one yet, it is in USB. It is not one of the usual AFRTS
stations, this is a simulcast of their FM station called Power 99.
Here is their Facebook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/AFN-Diego-Garcia/200133586714459>
73, (Steve, N0DWB, Bryant, swl at qth.net via DXLD)``

The FB page is still active but lotsa luck in finding a plain old e-mail address for those of us not buying into the FB business model. Linx to their own website as AFN Pacific which is axually in South Korea ñ maybe organizationally under that, way far from the Pacific!

Following reception report was sent to AFN Diego Garcia; first tried the e-mail in WRTH 2013, dgar@msc.navy.mil but it bounced before I could get back to my inbox! On a hunch, consulted the WRTH 2010 I had handy, dgar@mediacen.navy.mil and that hasn't bounced, so I have hope, but no reply by 1900 UT:

``AFN shortwave heard in Oklahoma

Hello AFN Diego Garcia, I have been wanting to hear your station for a long time, and have just succeeded here in Oklahoma.

Your night frequency 4319-USB just does not make it, blocked by interference. So I am glad I checked your other frequency. What time does it start?

Fairly weak but readable signal on 12759-USB, February 12 from tune-in at 0102 UT during news, mentioned US Army, not sure if from AFN or AP.

At 0107 pop music was playing, 0109 woman DJ says ``welcome back`` and promises weather forecast and this day in history later. More pop music, including rap past 0114.

0118, time check as ``currently 7:18``; this is [couldn't copy her name] on the Morning Maintenance [? sounded like, program name?]; phone number 374-4421 for something; weather coming up in a couple minutes.

0119, AFN TV promos for The Big Loser, Hawaii 5-0, premiere of film ``Lincoln`` this weekend (already?? we should be so fortunate on free TV Stateside), refer to online TV program schedule.

0120, PSA about smoking ONLY in designated areas.

0121, weather forecast, including: overcast, 90% rain probability, hi 88, lo 76, winds 20-25 kts, and mentions Diego Garcia.

0122, music resumes ...

Reception peaked about SINPO 25433. There was no interference at all. Receiver DX-398, which has 40-Hz tuning steps on SSB. Antenna: maybe 40 feet of wire strung under eaves of my porch. I was sitting outside in 44 degree weather before snowstorm expected later tonight [not seriously starting until 1850].

I would very much appreciate a QSL card or verification letter if you find my report correct, to:

Glenn Hauser
P O Box 1684
Enid OK 73702

I produce the WORLD OF RADIO program each week and will be mentioning this reception on the next show.

Details of my log will also be published on the internet in several hours, so please watch out for any possibly phony reports strongly resembling my details. I have already tipped off my DX Listening Digest yahoo group subscribers that your signal is coming in over here tonight.

Which of your AM or FM stations are we hearing on SW? Could you provide a schedule of exactly when you have local programming on SW rather than Los Angeles feeds?

Many thanks, Glenn Hauser (veteran, once worked at American Forces Thailand Network)

PS. A perhaps odd question: I have a correspondent in Portugal who insists that the correct name of the island is Diogo Garcia, since that was the spelling of the original Portuguese discoverer. And

spelling it Diego represents undue Spanish influence. Is this common knowledge over there?``

Notice that local time is UT +6, which is an hour too fast at 72 degrees east, 8 south, about the same longitude as Maldives and Bombay, not Bangladesh (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, for your information, I am forwarding my last year correspondence with AFN, which was finally adding my QSL collection (12759, 04 April 2012, 0200-0227 as per attachment). Regards, (Tony Ashar, Indonesia, DXLD)

-----Original message-----

Sent: Wednesday, 04 April 2012 at 10:45:07

From: no-reply@dodmedia.osd.mil

To: "Tony Ashar" <shortwave@clubmember.org>

Subject: myAFN Question

Thank you for your feedback. Your questions and concerns are important to us. We will respond as soon as possible.

For immediate assistance with an AFN reception problem you can contact the following:

- * If you receive AFN via base cable, contact your cable provider to report the problem.

- * If you have a decoder, find the TID and UA number on the back panel of the decoder and then use these contacts:

- ** In Europe call the helpdesk, on duty 24/7, at the AFNE Network Operations Center at DSN 314-389-4444 (0621-46085-444). Or email them at noc@afn.dma.mil.

- ** In the CENTCOM area of operations, there are Mayor Cells in place at Camps and FOBs to help. Contact the local Mayor Cell to report technical issues, including signal outages. The local Mayor Cell, if unable to solve the problem, will seek help from regional AFN teams.

- *** In Kandahar, call the AFN Theater Planner at DSN: 318-421-6429

- *** In Kabul, call the USFOR-A J6 AFN Theater Planner at DSN 318-237-1786

- *** In Bagram, call the AFN Theater Maintenance team at DSN 318-431-4358

- *** In Afghanistan, call the Theater Planner at DSN 318-449-4627/4626 or you can email them at afnafghanmaint@afghan.swa.army.mil.

- ** For U.S. Navy ships, information about Navy site systems and DTS can be coordinated through janet.quigley@navy.mil.

- * If that doesn't do the trick, call our AFN technologists, on duty 24/7 at the AFN Broadcast Center in California, at DSN 312-348-1339

(951-413-2339). Or email them at technologist@dma.mil. In either case, you will need to provide your name, location and your decoder TID and UA number, which can be found on the back panel of your decoder.

Again, we appreciate your feedback and will try to respond as soon as possible during regular business hours.

Thank you.

myafn.dodmedia.osd.mil (via Tony Ashar, Indonesia, DXLD)

That's an autoreply, obviously not aimed at SW DX listeners (gh, DXLD)

Tony, Tnx, but what exact e-mail address did you send to, which resulted in the QSL? Or did you just use the feedback form at myafn? My second attempt to reach Diego Garcia directly finally bounced after 24 hours. I would prefer to reach the station rather than just Los Angeles, but maybe thru LA I can get to DG (Glenn to Tony via DXLD)

Glenn, Apologize, cannot trace back in my mailbox, but I found these 3 addresses, not sure if I did use one of them:

AFFREL@dma.mil

AffiliateWebAdmin@dma.mil

technologist@dma.mil

Regards, (Tony Ashar, ibid.)

** DIEGO GARCIA. 12759-USB, Feb 13 at 0102, can barely detect some SSB here, so AFN is again on its day frequency this early, but not enough signal tonight vs noise level. Meanwhile, my second attempt to send reception report direct to station did not bounce immediately, but 24 hours later at 0226 UT Feb 13:

``Sorry, we were unable to deliver your message to the following address.

<dgar@mediacen.navy.mil>:

Mail server for "mediacen.navy.mil" unreachable for too long``

Tony Ashar got his QSL from Los Angeles with site specified, but one should not have to do that, especially when heard with local DG programming. May try the feedback form at MyAFN.

Sudipta Ghose says, ``Hi Glenn! They leave one frequency and go for the other one at their whim. Sometimes the modulation is pathetic (even on USB!!!) However, they are almost regular in Calcutta both on the 12 MHz or in 4 MHz`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4319-USB, AFN 0000 to 0002 news items in English "DOW rises over

14,000 for the first time since the Oct 2008 crash...". 3 Feb. Trick seems to catch this at 2340 before the 0003 killer UTE cuts in and demolishes the often great signal (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D, Icom 746Pro, Drake R8 - 60 meter dipole - AOG, dxsf 1981-2013, Feb 10, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

12759-USB, Feb 14 at 0056 and 0106 chex, nothing audible from AFN tonight, as it was readable 48 hours earlier and detectable 24 hours earlier. Apparently you never know just when they will switch from 4319-USB, but 12 MHz is likely to be on the edge propagationally (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EAST TURKISTAN. 4500, Feb 7 at 0047, very poor signal with talk vs CODAR crashes, still heard at 0057 unlike CHINA 4220; presumably PBS Xinjiang outlet from Urumqi, this one for the Mongolian service, as Wolfgang B. schel points out, to go with 4850 Kazakh, 4980 Uighur, 5060 Mandarin, as usually heard but all poor tonight.

While in Thailand, 1969-1970 trying to DX on an Allied VHF low-band 30-50 MHz portable, which brought in lots of neat stuff by F2, sporadic E and TE scatter, I had trouble with this since the receiver IF was 4.5 MHz (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

2 Feb, 4980, XJPBS, 2325 talks, S9 (buzzer included) 5060, XJPBS, 2327 discussions, S9 (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ECUADOR. 3380, Radio Centro, 1110 to 1130 OM en español, ute periodically on top, OM "Palabras de Dios" 3 Feb (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D, Icom 746Pro, Drake R8 - 60 meter dipole - AOG, dxsf 1981-2013, Feb 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

QSL; 3380, CENTRO RADIOFONICO DE IMBABURA. Correo-e. v/s Luis Adriano Calero Rojas. Gerente-Propietario. Informe enviado a: c.r.i.internacional@hotmail.com Demoro: 10 horas. Imágenes y más en: <http://dxdesdecolombia.blogspot.com/> (Rafael Rodríguez R., Bogotá D.C. - Colombia, playdx yg via DXLD)

** ECUADOR. 4781.5, Radio Oriental, Napo, 1147 fading out, this the most powerful of the Ecuadorian signals from 1100 sign on - 3 Feb (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D, Icom 746Pro, Drake R8 - 60 meter dipole - AOG, dxsf 1981-2013, Feb 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EGYPT. 9720, Radio Cairo, from 0312 to 0327. An ID at 0315, SINFO= 2,5,4,3,3. Woman announcer noted children in the song were having fun. She had people over for tea and they were quite safe. She gave times and frequencies of broadcasts. Programming begins on Sunday but does

not run the full week. She used GMT and not UTC. The song ended at -- 0327 with a nasty tone (transmitter problem) and I tuned out. A very good signal for Cairo. 2/10/13 (John Davis, Ohio, Mackay 5050A, the 435' long wire antenna, and JRC headphones, NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD)

15710, Feb 9 at 1859, R. Cairo news theme (I almost took it for national anthem at this hour and so pervasive), then talk before 1900 arrived in distorted language, listed Hausa at 18-21, 250 kW, 241 degrees from Abis.

11560, Feb 9 at 1902, fair signal better than 15710, language noted as Arabish, with reverb. Certainly did not lock in as German, which is listed from 1900, 200 kW, 325 degrees from Abis (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9720 kHz, Radio Cairo, from 3:12 to 3:27 and an id at 3:15, SINFO= 2,5,4,3,3. Woman announcer noted children in the song were having fun. She had people over for tea and they were quite safe. She gave times and frequencies of broadcasts. Programming begins on Sunday but does not run the full week.. She used GMT and not UTC. Mackay 5050A, the 435' long wire antenna, and JRC headphones. The song ended at 3:27 with a nasty tone (transmitter problem) and I tuned out. A very good signal for Cairo. 2/10/13 (Sandra Davis, KA8ZNH, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** EQUATORIAL GUINEA [and non]. 15190, Feb 11 at 1858-1905+, fair signal, soft gospel vocal music with guitar, presumed R. Africa instead of usual spoken gospel-huxtering. Atop understation producing SAH, presumably V. of Philippines. No het from 15191.5v Brasil, off? I heard that at some other hour recently (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ERITREA [non]. New UNIDentified station in Arabic or Somali was observed on Feb. 11: 1600-1700 on 11620 to Eritrea from Kostinbrod, POWERFUL SIGNAL in Sofia Weak signal also on second harmonic 23240: see BULGARIA

** ETHIOPIA. Voice of the Tigray Revolution live streaming on the web

Former clandestine radio Voice of the Tigray Revolution has long offered on-demand audio files on its website at <http://www.dimtsiwoyane.com>
Now it provides a live audio stream of their FM service too.

Nominal schedule for DWET [Dimtsi WoyanE Tigray) FM is 0300-2100 UT; observed this morning (9 Feb 2013) with IS/ID in progress at 0253 UT. The interval signal is different to the washint tune (Ethiopian flute) used for the shortwave service (5950 kHz, per WRTH), although the example I have of the latter is from 2007, so may no longer be

current.

Tigrinya programming was observed, including a pop show which identified as "DJ AM", which suggests this service relays the MW/SW service at times. DWET FM is broadcast on 102.2 MHz in Mekele, which is listed under Voice of the Tigray Revolution in the current WRTH, but not as a separate service.

More information on this and other Ethiopian radio stations is available on the Infosaid website at <http://infosaid.org/guide>

Audio clips of Voice of the Tigray Revolution SW and FM services are available on the Ethiopia page of Interval Signals Online website <http://intervalsignals.net>

(David Kernick, England, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA [non]. 2 Feb, 17630, R Xoriyo (heard as Oriyo), 1615-1621 with Horn of Africa songs; 1619 with several IDs and 1620 a clip from HoA song, 1621 a discussion with a young person. Signal was good on 1615 but after 1621 was fading down (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST) via Issoudun, FRANCE

** FRANCE. 21580, Feb 7 at 1438, good signal in Pashto, news about Syria, from RFI, 500 kW, 85 degrees from Issoudun. Didn't realize it would be // 17850 same parameters, heard a bit earlier, see CYPRUS [and non] (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GABON [and non]. Africa No. 1 [9580] ist eigentlich regelmaessig zu hoeren, Medi1 auf 9579.2 kHz stoert zwar immer kraeftig, aber abends sollte der Empfang doch gelingen. 73 (Christoph Ratzer, Austria, OE2CRM, A-DX Febr 9 via BC-DX Feb 9 via DXLD)

Africa No 1?? 9580 Moyabi?? Feb 12, 2013. Tuesday. 1902-1913. Sounds like news in French, certainly OM's talking. Afro music at 1911. No ID heard. Poor and weak, almost drowned out by a strong het, presumably Morocco Medi 1. Jo'burg sunset 1653 (Bill Bingham, RSA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes, as usual Moyabi 9580 is on air at 19 UT, in this European winter night, signal is S=9+15dB up to +20, and set a deep notch filter here, to the wandered adjacent Moroccan on 9579v. To get Africa No. 1 signals on 31 mb was never a problem in past months. 73 wb (Wolfgang B,schel, Stuttgart, Germany, ibid.)

I find it amazing on SDR-radio.com software with RF space receivers - When I tune 9580 kHz, set bandwidth around 3 kHz and then switch to ECSS: USB = wow 100% clear audio. What magnificent technologies are available there. Note: I don't own any RF space receiver - the

experience I had, is with SDR-Radio.Com software with remote RF Space receivers in Europe (Partha Sarathi Goswami, Siliguri, W.B., India, ibid.)

** GERMANY [non]. Reminder: RMRC special broadcast on February 9
Bruce Jensen posted in CUMBRE DX on Facebook:

Reminder: RMRC special broadcast on February 9 --- Rhine-Main-Radio-Club special broadcast to memory Roger Kirk at 2200-2300 UT on 6035 kHz. For reception reports there will be special QSL. Source:
<http://rmrc.de/wordpress/?p=153>
(Mike Terry, Feb 8, dxldyg via DXLD)

6035, Feb 9 at 2232 I seek the publicized RMRC special in memoriam Roger Kirk, which was publicized for this date at 22-23 from unmentioned site; nothing but a JBA carrier here in the fringes of the heavy Cuban radio war on 6030, but not intended for N America anyway. He was with Radio Northsea International, died last December 4. See <http://rmrc.de/wordpress/?p=136>

This frequency-hour is not registered for anywhere, so what's the site, pirate? In reminding DXLD yg of it just ahead of time, Kai Ludwig replied, ``I think all RMRC transmissions since the closure of the Ulbroka [Latvia] transmitter, for which they had provided the last hurrah, went out from Sitkunai,`` i.e. LITHUANIA. How was it in Europe? (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Stable fair signal into Germany on a clear channel selected. Both Chinese on adjacent 6030 and 6040 were much, much weaker. Total S=9+20 dB average. At this winter season hour could be from a distance > 1300 kilometers like Spaceline Ltd. provider on their site at Kostinbrod Bulgaria, or from Gavar Armenia site? Nothing announced yet about transmitter site by Dr. Harald Gabler, president of the club. 73 (Wolfgang B,schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

But no signal at all further east, such as at my location 50 km north of Dresden. Here all went quiet once the DRM racket from Galbeni, centered on 6030, stopped at 2200. This of course indicates that it was also this time the almost dead and forgotten Sitkunai shortwave transmitter (Kai Ludwig, Germany, ibid.)

Kai, Is Dresden (which lies about 775km west of Sitkunai) typically in a skip zone for Sitkunai or is it an unusual event for you not to be able to hear Sitkunai? JL (Jerry Lenamon, Waco, ibid.)

Dr Gabler has confirmed to me the site was Sitkunai. BTW, sales of their QSL Calendar help finance such broadcasts, as mentioned in DXLD 12-49. 73, (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Heard here in Massachusetts at 2215 Feb 9 on 6035. Good signal but significant interference from Cuban jammer on 6030. Heard interview and some talks in German inter-spread with music. Very little details were audible due to QRM (Stephen Wood, Harwich, Mass., ibid.)

/LITHUANIA, Rhine-Main-Radio-Club/RMRC special broadcast on Feb. 9:
2200-2300 on 6035 SIT 100 kW / 259 deg to WeEu. Good signal in Sofia,
45544 (DX RE MIX NEWS #767 from Georgi Bancov & Ivo Ivanov, Mon, Feb.
11, 2013, as of Feb 13, dxldyg via DXLD)

** GERMANY. Updated schedule of Hamburger Lokalradio and partner stations:

0600-0800 on 7265 GOH 001 kW / 230 deg to CeEu USB+carrier as follows:
0600-0630 Wed/Sat Hamburger Lokalradio German
0630-0700 Wed/Sat World of Radio English
0700-0800 Wed/Sat Hamburger Lokalradio German

0800-1100 on 6190 GOH 001 kW / 230 deg to CeEu USB+carrier as follows:
0800-0900 3rd Sun European Music Radio English (alt.7265 check Feb.17)
0800-1100 Wed/Sat Hamburger Lokalradio German

1100-1500 on 7265 GOH 001 kW / 230 deg to CeEu USB+carrier as follows:
1100-1430 Wed/Sat Hamburger Lokalradio German
1300-1400 4th Sat Radio City English
1430-1500 Wed/Sat World of Radio English
73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m.
long wire, Feb 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GOA [and non]. 11775, Feb 13 at 1411, Anguilla is AWOL, so instead we get to hear two other stations making CCI with flutter, apparently S Asian vs Chinese. Aoki shows AIR Nepali service at 1330-1430, 250 kW, 25 degrees from Panaji, which really shouldn't need jamming, but it unfortunately follows the AIR Tibetan service at 1215-1330 which certainly does (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREECE. Dear John, heard all three outlets 9420, 15630, and 9935 kHz again on air at 15-16 UT Feb 13.
1500-1600 *#9935/285f/eu 15630/285f/eu/at/na 9420/323f/eu/at/na
so I've to check Avlis outlets again tomorrow at 13-15 UT to trace.
vy73 wolffy (Wolfgang B.schel, to John Babbis, via DXLD)

** GUAM. 9910, Feb 11 at 1152 & 1208, while looking for Free Sarawak on 9900, a good signal here in Chinese: it's KTWK, 125 kW (semi-transmitter?), 305 degrees at 1100-1230 per HFCC (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUAM [and non]. 5765-USB, AFB audible Feb 7 at 1321, but heavy QRM from OTH radar pulses ranging 5755-5810; for a good discussion of

different OTHRs, what they look and sound like, see
<http://www.iarums-r1.org/iarums/radar-2012.pdf>
as Dinan Rogerio reminded us on the radioescutas list
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUAM [and non]. 15370, Feb 9 at 2246, CCI making a rumble to a LAH,
both poor, but one must be RHC in scheduled French, and the other KSDA
in Chinese to the northwest; RHC abnormally weak, compared to 15340
Spanish. I wonder which one is further off frequency (Glenn Hauser,
OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUATEMALA. Radio Verdad, 4055 kHz --- Impresionante recepci n de
Radio Verdad de Guatemala por un amigo japon s de Youtube:
<http://youtu.be/Cj-KD003CSQ>
73 desde Montevideo (Rodolfo Tizzi, Feb 8, condiglista yg via DXLD)

R. VERDAD SW LICENSE IN DANGER; ANNIVERSARY SOON

Apreciado amigo y hermano Jorge Medina, de Venezuela: Gracias por su
excelente reporte. Nos es muy 'til en Radio Verdad. Tan pronto tenga
tiempo, le enviar  nuestra nueva Tarjeta QSL que recib  hoy.

Le agradecer  sus oraciones, porque en junio se nos vence la licencia
de onda corta, y el gobierno est  vacilando mucho en concedernos la
extensi n de la misma para otros 15 a os, porque, parece que Radio
Verdad es la  nica estaci n de onda corta que va quedando en
Guatemala. Tendremos que vencer por oraci n. Que Dios le bendiga.
(Dr. ...dgar Am lcar Madrid, Director y Gerente, Feb 6, cc to DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

Asks for prayers because Radio Verdad's 4055 shortwave license runs
out in June, and the government is vacillating a lot on whether to
renew it for another sesquidecade, since it's the only SW station left
in Guatemala. (What has that to do with it?).

According to station history page at
<http://www.radioverdad.org/historia>
they have been trying to get an FM license and even paid the fee, but
it was granted to something else.

Their thirteenth anniversary is coming up: iRadio Verdad  sali  al
aire el 25 de febrero, a las 5:20 p. m., y fue inaugurada el 5 de
marzo del a o 2000.

We were among the first, if not the first to hear it and break the
news of its appearance that year (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO
1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Jorge Freitas forwarded the above to condiglist, resulting in: (gh)

Amigos: He estado en contacto con ...dgar Amílcar Madrid Morales de Radio Verdad para interiorizarme de sus dificultades por renovar la licencia de la emisora a través de la onda corta y ofrecerme, en caso de ser necesario, para iniciar una campaña de apoyo que podamos brindar los diexistas.

‘Este viernes, yo voy a presentar a la Superintendencia de Telecomunicaciones (de Guatemala) un pliego de petición formal, en el cual les detallo todos los 23 programas educativos de desarrollo socio-económico que estoy presentando todos los días en Radio Verdad, sin que le cueste un solo centavo al gobierno^a, dijo Madrid. ‘Vamos a esperar ver qué resultado me da este escrito. (...) Las situaciones en Guatemala no son fáciles. De todos modos, mi licencia vence en junio de este año^a.

...dgar Amílcar Madrid Morales no descarta la posibilidad que los radioescuchas y diexistas del mundo colaboren con sus manifestaciones a favor del mantenimiento de las transmisiones de Radio Verdad por onda corta pero primero prefiere esperar la respuesta oficial.

‘Entonces, el apoyo de los diexistas tiene que ser el ‘ltimo recurso^a, dijo. En el ‘ltimo e-mail Madrid me adjunta para compartir con ustedes un archivo con la copia del escrito que presentar a la Superintendencia de Telecomunicaciones de Guatemala el próximo viernes 15 de febrero. La copia es la siguientes: (al pegar en el cuerpo del mensaje he eliminado los logotipos originales)

Dr. ...dgar Amílcar Madrid Morales
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Febrero 15, 2013.

Sr. Superintendente de Telecomunicaciones, SIT
Lic. Eddy Padilla
Ciudad de Guatemala.

Respetable Licenciado:

Soy usufructuario de la frecuencia 4.0475 a 4.0575 Mhz. a nivel nacional y, según constancia de recepción número E14-1117-2012 adjunta, con fecha 2 de octubre del año 2012, solicité ante usted la revalidación para otros 15 años del usufructo de dicha frecuencia.

Ahora, para el efecto de la extensión del tiempo de usufructo de dicha frecuencia, le ruego tomar en consideración los factores siguientes:

1. La frecuencia en mención, la estoy utilizando para el funcionamiento de la Estación Educativa Evangélica iRadio Verdadí, que funciona en la aldea San Esteban, de Chiquimula, como un servicio social a las comunidades rurales de Guatemala.
2. La Estación Educativa Evangélica iRadio Verdadí funciona con un régimen financiero TOTALMENTE NO LUCRATIVO, y amparado por la personalidad jurídica de la Iglesia Evangélica Amigos de Santidad, la cual es propietaria de dicha estación radial. En esta radio no se cobra por transmitir programas.
3. Que con la Estación Educativa Evangélica iRadio Verdadí, estoy prestando un servicio social educativo a las comunidades rurales de Guatemala, sin que a las mismas les cueste un solo centavo.
4. En la Estación Educativa Evangélica iRadio Verdadí, estoy presentando todos los días 23 programas de desarrollo socioeconómico para las comunidades más necesitadas de Guatemala, en programas diarios de media hora de duración cada uno, sin que a Guatemala le cueste un solo centavo. Véase el documento detallado de programas educativos adjunto.
5. Como la onda corta ya está en desuso, he estado ordenando la fabricación de muchos radios presintonizados en la empresa Galcom International, de Canadá.

Por estas razones tan importantes para Guatemala, le suplico encarecidamente tomar la decisión de concederme la prórroga de 15 años más para el goce de dicho usufructo de frecuencia

Sin otro particular, muy agradecido.

Dr. Edgar Amílcar Madrid Morale

Director y Gerente.

¡No seas vencido de lo malo, sino vence con el bien el mal! ñRomanos 12:21.

Grilla de 23 programas que adjuntar Madrid al petitorio:

Estación Educativa Evangélica "Radio Verdad"

Programas Educativos: Lunes a Sábado

(23 Programas Educativos Subrayados)

1. 5:00 a 5:10 Momento Cívico de Apertura con el Himno Nacional de Guatemala:

Es un tiempo cuando se canta el Himno Nacional de Guatemala y se narra su historia. Es un programa que fomenta el civismo en Guatemala.

2. 6:30 a 7:00 Desarrollo Rural:

Es un programa dirigido a los oyentes campesinos, en el cual se les enseña a hacer cultivos diversos y la crianza de animales domésticos. Este programa se presenta con la colaboración científica del Centro Regional Universitario de Oriente, de la Universidad de San Carlos de Guatemala.

3. 8:00 a 8:30 Medicina Familiar y Primeros Auxilios:

Es un programa en el cual se dan instrucciones para la práctica de los primeros auxilios en los diversos accidentes familiares y automovilísticos, además de dar instrucciones diversas de medicina de urgencia. En esto se colabora estrechamente con la Cruz Roja Guatemalteca, los Bomberos Voluntarios y el Instituto Guatemalteco de Seguridad Social.

4. 9:00 a 9:30 Todos a Cocinar:

Es un programa en el cual se dan instrucciones para la elaboración de alimentos sanos y nutritivos, incluyendo la receta e instrucciones específicas para elaborar la comida principal del día. Además, se dan diversos consejos para el hogar y la vida moral y espiritual de los oyentes.

5. 10:00 a 10:30 Salud y Seguridad:

Es un programa en el cual se dan instrucciones para el mantenimiento de una buena salud y evitar accidentes. En esto se colabora con el Ministerio de Salud.

6. 10:30 a 11:00 Historia Hebrea:

Es un programa en el cual se expone y analiza la historia de Israel, el pueblo más perseguido del mundo.

7. 11:00 a 11:30 El Consejero del Aire, con Psicología Cristiana:

Es un programa de preguntas y respuestas, para ayudar a resolver los muchos problemas psicológicos, sociales, económicos y espirituales de los oyentes.

8. 13:15 a 13:30 Aprendamos Inglés:

Es un programa de enseñanza sistemática audiovisual del Idioma Inglés, con el texto "Aprendamos Inglés" y el Método Bilingüe Alternativo del Dr. ...dgar Amílcar Madrid Morales.

9. 13:30 a 14:00 La Ciencia y la Biblia :

Es un programa en el cual se exponen descriptivamente los diversos problemas científicos, tales como de Biología, Genética, Evolución, Física, Astronomía, Psicología y otras ciencias, y se comparan con las

enseñanzas de la Biblia. Es un programa estructurado para la gente intelectual y universitaria.

10. 14:00 a 14:30 Rincón de la Familia :

Es un programa de Consejería Familiar, con preguntas y respuestas relativas a los problemas económicos, sociales, psicológicos y espirituales del hogar y la familia.

11. 14:30 a 15:00 Historia de Guatemala:

Es un programa en el cual se narra descriptivamente la historia de Guatemala y Centroamérica. Al mismo tiempo, se presentan las monografías de los muchos pueblos y regiones de Guatemala.

12. 15:30 a 16:00 Superación en la Escuela del Aire:

Es prácticamente una Escuela Pública por Radio, en la cual se imparten las diversas asignaturas que corresponden a los niveles escolares de Primaria y Ciclo Básico, tales como: Idioma Español, Ciencias Naturales, Estudios Sociales, Historia, Geografía, Biología, Física, Cosmografía y otras. También se dan los muchos consejos de "Superación", del filántropo guatemalteco César Guzmán, el filántropo estadounidense John C. Marshwell y la poetisa Orfelinda Villela Cerritos. Este es un programa de colaboración estrecha con el Ministerio de Educación.

13. 16:00 a 16:30 Historia de los Amigos:

Es un programa que describe y analiza la historia de los "Amigos", también llamados "Cu-queros", que son personas que han contribuido mucho a la paz mundial y el desarrollo socioeconómico de los pueblos. Son poseedores del Premio Nóbel de la Paz.

14. 16:30 a 17:00 Aprendamos a Leer:

Es un programa sistemático de alfabetización por radio. Se está colaborando estrechamente con las Campañas Nacionales de Alfabetización, del Ministerio de Educación.

15. 16:30 a 17:00 E Imbiutz Ajk'ín (Las Buenas Nuevas) (Programa Chortí):

Es un programa de estimulación social y espiritual para los habitantes chortís de las áreas de Jocotón, Camotón y Olopa, en Chiquimula, presentado por un niño Chortí.

16. 18:30 a 19:00 Desarrollo Urbano:

Es un programa en el cual se dan instrucciones diversas para fomentar el desarrollo económico de las comunidades urbanas, especialmente para la industrialización. Se imparten cursos de mecánica automotriz, radio, electrónica, fotografía y otros.

17. 20:00 a 20:30 Club de la Amistad, Filatélico y Diexista:

Es un programa dedicado a fomentar la amistad entre personas de diversos países, lenguas y culturas. Todo esto se logra a través de dar instrucciones filatélicas, o de colección de estampillas, tarjetas postales y tarjetas telefónicas de diversos países. Se procura servir como lazo de interconexión para lograr el intercambio de correspondencia, sellos y tarjetas postales entre personas de todo el mundo. También se promueve la interrelación diexista.

18. 20:30 a 20:45 Proverbios y Consejos a la Juventud:

Se leen e interpretan una gran cantidad de dichos y refranes populares, así como los Proverbios de la Biblia , para que todos esos pensamientos ayuden a la juventud a reorientar su vida hacia el bien y prosperidad.

19. 20:45 a 21:00 Grandes Maestros de la Música :

Es un programa que presenta música secular selecta, incluyendo música clásica alegre y otros tipos de música instrumental o vocal decente y bonita.

20. 21:00 a 21:30 Historia del Cristianismo:

Tomando en cuenta que Guatemala es un país cristiano, se presentan descriptivamente la historia de los primeros veinte siglos de desarrollo del Cristianismo, tanto católico como evangélico.

21. 22:00 a 22:15 Venga Usted a Guatemala:

Es un programa destinado a fomentar el turismo, para mejorar la economía de Guatemala. En el mismo, se presentan monografías y descripciones turísticas de los diferentes pueblos de Guatemala. También, se hacen invitaciones constantes a visitar Guatemala. En éste, se colabora con el Instituto Nacional Guatemalteco de Turismo, INGUAT.

22. 24:00 a 24:05 Momento Cívico de Clausura con el Himno Nacional de Guatemala:

Es un momento para cantar todos juntos el himno nacional de Guatemala y cerrar nuestra transmisión.

23. Diversas horas: La Información del Momento:

Es un programa que se transmite varias veces al día, según sea necesario, para dar informaciones de interés general. En este programa se presenta toda información que edifica al oyente y le estimula a su buen desarrollo, pero se omite toda información que perturbe la paz y tranquilidad, o que altere las emociones. Es aquí donde se dan todas las informaciones de la obra constructiva de las municipalidades, universidades, Ministerio de Educación y otras obras positivas del gobierno.

‘Esperaré los resultados de este escrito. Mi licencia vence en junio.

Que Dios le bendiga^a, termina diciendo ...dgar Amílcar Madrid Morales en su último e-mail de hoy 12 de febrero.-

(all via Rubén Guillermo Margenet, condiglist yg via DXLD)

** GUIANA FRENCH. 11740, Feb 8 at 0500, tuned to 11740 for the only English relay in the evening left from R. Japan to North America, a bit late for most of us: but, nothing! Finally at *0506:17 carrier on and brought up audio at 0506:30, with some hum. So 22% of the transmission is missed: refund due, but do they know this in Tokyo?

I wanted to find whether this was still/again putting out spurs like the earlier relays of República from 9490 at 00-02, and NHK Japanese from 5960 at 02-04.

Yes! First looked for plus and minus 116 kHz, the strongest ones coming out of 9490 and 5960, and there they are, same-sounding blobs around 11624 and 11856; however I could not hear any others as the fundamental was not very strong, +/- 232, 70 or 36 kHz. How about other dayparts when the same transmitter would be in use?? None encountered so far (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Thanks to Jeff White at HFCC Tunis, I have been in contact with the person at TDF responsible for the MSY transmitters: (gh)

Gentlemen, Thank you for your information and comments regarding some unwanted radiations of a MSY Tx !

After the measurements we did in Issoudun - France mainland - our technical staff in Montsinéry has been required to check the Tx and a default would have been identified in a "low power HF amplifier".

Unfortunately we will have to wait some weeks to get a spare HF amplifier because, for the time being, there is no such spare amplifier in MSY. Sorry for the delay!

Best regards (Daniel Bochent - for TDF, Feb 8, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11740, Feb 9 at 0502, NHK English relay is already on the air, unlike last night, and maybe even started at 0500.

I also suspect the 11740 carrier never got turned off, as once again at 0611, weak French from ROMANIA fights another carrier making fast SAH, and also some hum typical of Montsinéry. 0700 *still* just the carrier with hum; anyway, not hearing any spurs from it. Need to monitor at 0530 when R. Japan relay is supposed to end.

11740, Feb 10 at 0459, NHK IS, so the relay in English is apparently going to air complete and intact tonight. And at 0700, hummy carrier is still running on 11740, probably MSY.

11740, Feb 11 at 0529 I tune in just in time to hear NHK English relay end at 0530* with very good signal and definitely turn off the carrier. Yet at 0615 recheck, RRI French again has a fast SAH from another weak carrier. Revised theory: GUF turns off the main carrier, but not the exciter? Or maybe it's Vatican which is not supposed to be on 11740 until much later.

15190, Feb 11 at 1211, the only other R. Japan English relay left to N America, also via GUF, has only fair signal, but it's the OSOB this early before sunrise.

I later heard from my contact at TDF that this is the same transmitter which puts out the spurs from 5960, 9490 and 11740, so need to look for those around 15190, but fundamental is far too weak for them to have shown up today, and I am preferably and usually asleep at 1200. They are awaiting a replacement part to fix the spur problem (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA [and non]. 4775, Feb 9 at 0052, two weak carriers here, one surely R. Tarma, Per'; two other stations might be on the air at this time, but Brazil's R. Congonhas has not been confirmed active in the past month, per the latest Relatório referente às escutas de janeiro/2013 by Giuseppe Cysneiros. That leaves AIR Imphal, per Aoki 0020-0215, 50 kW non-direxional in Hindi (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. 4840, Feb 7 at 1323, more S Asian vocal music, very poor and weaker than Australia 4835, but nice to hear the only SW station besides WWCN on 4840, AIR Mumbai, 50 kW non-direxional at 1230-1730 & 2355-0400 per Aoki. WWCN current span is 01-13, but when DST starts March 10 it's to shift to 00-12 UT, better in the mornings for other DX, worse in the evenings (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA [and non]. 4850, AIR Kohima, 1311, Feb 10. EZL pop songs (perhaps local talent?); 1315 sounded like the usual Naga program; strong PBS Xinjiang QRM also on 4850.

Perhaps AIR Kohima will be on the air more regularly now, due to the upcoming Nagaland assembly elections scheduled for Feb 23 (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtUn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. 4850, AIR Kohima, 1342-1348*, Feb 12. News in Hindi till suddenly off; did not return by tune out at 1355. Heard again

at 1410; EZL music; 1414 ID iThis is All India Radio Kohima;
1430 speech in English with many mentions of iNagalandi; still
on at 1450 tune out and running well past their normal sign off
time. With 188 candidates fighting for election to the 60 member
Nagaland Assembly, there would seem to be a good chance to
hear many such speeches in the run-up to the Feb 23 elections.

4896.0, AIR Kurseong, 1324 + 1448, Feb 12. Again off frequency.

4990, AIR Itanagar, 1425*, Feb 12. Off after the news in English

4850, AIR Kohima heard Feb 13 after 1400 with EZL filler music between
series of speeches; poor due to strong OTH radar. Perhaps they will
actually, for a while, be on daily? (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach,
CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. 4880.1, Feb 9 at 0055, S Asian vocal music, fair signal
slightly on the hi side, and still same at 0104. Presumed AIR Lucknow,
50 kW non-direxional, starting at 0025 per Aoki. Stands out as not
previously heard in 60m bandscans around this hour, and nothing much
else from India tonight. Lucknow is in north central India near Nepal,
between Aligarh and Gorakhpur, per WRTH map. All logs I can find of it
are for just 4880, not 4880.0 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. 6155, AIR Aligarh staff had difficulties to get access to
AIR Urdu program audio feed this morning at 0115-0120 UT Febr 6.
Broadcast contained heavy audio interruption on each after 10 seconds
again and again. On the other hand the transmitter signal was powerful
on S=9+35dB level here in Germany (Wolfgang B,schel, wwdxc BC-DX
TopNews Feb 9 via DXLD)

** INDIA. 13605, Feb 9 at 2243, wonderful haunting AIR IS can still be
heard here and now, unlike before the 1330 English broadcast; 2245
opening GOS with frequencies for SE and NE Asia; fair with flutter and
plenty CODAR. Amazingly, this is the OSOB all the way up to 13830 &
13845 US signals, altho after 2300 Cuban relays will show up (Glenn
Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA [non]. UNIDENTIFIED. 15755, Feb 10 at 1408, good signal with
gospel-huxter in English being translated after every phrase into S
Asian language. Certain keywords make it clear the English comes first
rather than vice versa, as evangelism is always one-way, from know-it-
all English speakers. So what is it, and from where?

Aoki says since Jan 18, 15755 is KTWR GUAM at 1315-1345 in Hindi?
[sic] but nothing later.

Au Contraire, HFCC Feb 5 says 15755 at 1300-1430 is

TAC 100 131 0 156 1234567 281012 310313 D UZB NEW RAM 19381

And EiBi updated Feb 2 says:

15755 1300-1430 XUUNID Station SAs /UZBEKISTAN
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15755, 11/Feb 1349, UNID in Asian language. (As mentioned by Glenn).
Very weak signal in my QTH, but good signal in radio from Twente,
almost local. At 1350 music. A prayer to 1413. ID at 1415, but I did
not understand. At 1417 there is no more vestige of signal on my
Degen. At 1429 full ID by OM, still I did not understand. Then YL talk
and end of transmission at 1430. Recorded in my blog
<http://www.ipernity.com/doc/75006> According to Ivo Ivanov, via DXLD,
is TWR India in Hindi and Indian langs; Yes, clear ID at the end of
the recording, where YL said "TWR". 73 (Jorge Freitas, dxdlyg via DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

UZBEKISTAN, Frequency change of TWR India, Hindi and Indian languages:
1315-1430 NF 15755 TAC 100 kW / 131 deg to SoAs, ex 7505. But no
changes:

1430-1615 on 7505 TAC 100 kW / 131 deg to SoAs in Hindi&Punjabi
languages (DX RE MIX NEWS #767 from Georgi Bancov & Ivo Ivanov, Mon,
Feb. 11, 2013, as of Feb 13, dxldyg via DXLD)

Re: my log above and: ``UZBEKISTAN. 15755, re my unID Feb 10 at 1408:
Ivo Ivanov says this is the TWR India service via Tashkent, ex-7505,
but stays on 7505 after 1430. Jorge Freitas, Brasil, also monitored it
Feb 11 from 1349 until 1430 via the SDR in Twente, Netherlands, and
heard a TWR ID at the end: <http://www.ipernity.com/doc/75006/14246973/>
(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)``

However, we now have two reports that the site on 15755 is now KCH =
Grigoriopol, PRIDNESTROVYE in TWR's updated B12 schedule as of 10 Feb:

KCH	15755	1315	1330	41	100	98	23456	100213	300313	DOGRI
KCH	15755	1315	1430	41	100	98	1 7	100213	300313	HINDI
KCH	15755	1330	1400	41	100	98	23456	100213	300313	HINDI
KCH	15755	1400	1415	41	100	98	2 456	100213	300313	HINDI
KCH	15755	1400	1415	41	100	98	3	100213	300313	AWADHI
KCH	15755	1415	1430	41	100	98	23456	100213	300313	GARHWALI

(Jaisakthivel, ADXC, Tirunelveli, India Via Shakti Verma)````

Somewhat contradictory info from Alokesh Gupta showing 15755 is in use
after 1330 only on Sat & Sun which are the days we heard it above:

``wef 10th Feb 2013

KCH	15755	1315	1330	41	100	98	0 4/8/0.8	23456	DOGRI	(ex 7505 TAC)
KCH	15755	1315	1430	41	100	98	0 4/8/0.8	1 7	HINDI	(ex 7505 TAC)

KCH 7505 1330 1400 41 100 98 0 4/8/0.8 23456 HINDI (ex TAC)
 KCH 7505 1400 1415 41 100 98 0 4/8/0.8 2 456 HINDI (ex TAC)
 KCH 7505 1400 1415 41 100 98 0 4/8/0.8 3 AWADHI (ex TAC)
 KCH 7505 1415 1430 41 100 98 0 4/8/0.8 23456 GARHWALI (ex TAC)
 --- (via Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, cumbredx via DXLD)``

So I check 15755 again Feb 12 at 1335: today Tuesday it's poor with echo in S Asian language; 1359, better with S Asian vocal music, echo and flutter. So 15755 is really on the air weekdays after 1330, per the first version above, not the second (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

MOLDOVA. Heard 15755 today for the first time here, 1330-1400 UT Feb 13 in seemingly Hindi, young lady singer, proper S=9+20dB signal, also very well clear audio reception in Russia and Finland remote posts. But sometimes suffered by nearby ute RTTY outlet on 15756.600 center.

So seems coming from Grigoriopol Moldova in eastern Europe. Not from UZB anymore. 73 wolffy (Wolfgang B,schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 3325, RRI Palangkaraya, 1400-1435 Feb 6 - Two local ID's at 1400, then berita program with man and woman alternating items. Fair and building to a nice 5-9 plus 20 dB peak at 1415, well over my noise level; went downhill quickly after this, becoming almost unreadable by 1435. Local sunrise here is 1401 UT (John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, Colorado. Drake R-8, 100-foot RW, dxingwithcumbre yg via DXLD)

** INDONESIA. 4749.951, RRI Indonesia Makassar - Ujung Padang heard with tiny signal at 1120 UT Feb 11, but hit heavily by the two Chinese co-channel programmes. Heard on remote SDR unit in CA-US (Wolfgang B,schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DXLD)

4749.96, RRI Makassar. It's Tuesday (Feb 12) so it must be time for the Kang Guru Indonesia program in English; yes, at 1237 the KGI introduction in Bahasa Indonesia and into the show with Kevin and Ana; played the KGI theme song iFriendsi plus several pop songs; ended at 1307 with the RRI jingle; poor with prominent Bangladesh QRM (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtUn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 4869.913, Poor signal logged from RRI Wamena, just on threshold up to S=6, at 1116 UT Feb 11, hit by annoying ute noise scratch, but of CODAR signal type in range 4864 to 4867 kHz, at least. Heard on remote SDR unit in CA-US (Wolfgang B,schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DXLD)

** INDONESIA. 9525.89, 8/2 1445, Voice of Indonesia, Indonesian pop & talks, very good. Ciao (Giampiero Bernardini, Excalibur Pro, SDR-IQ, FunCube Pro Plus, Icom R7100, Loop Wellbrook LFL 1010, MaxiWhip con balun 1:32 e 1:40 by A. Capra, <http://radiodxsw.blogspot.it/> Feb 13, playdx yg via DXLD)

9525.892, Poor S=6 signal of Voice of Indonesia's English service from Jakarta Cimanggis site observed downunder in Australian remote unit at 1350 UT Feb 11. Heard English ID at 1352 UT followed by sweet female singer like South Sea music performance (Wolfgang B.schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DXLD)

** IRAN. 21160 A3E, taeglich spurious signal oder Intermodulation von 1130-1200 UT. Kommt aus dem Iran. Nur wie kommt das Produkt zustande??? 73 de (Wolf, DK20M, (Bandwatch Feb 5, via wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Febr 9 via DXLD)

Hallo Wolf, hallo Peter, ich war heute etwas spaeter mit der Mail 'dran', und konnte den Check um 1130z nicht mehr vornehmen. Laut Listen sieht das mathematisch folgendermassen aus.

IRIB Tehran in Hausa Sprache ueber Dipolantennen ITU type '218' nach Zielgebiet afrikanische Sahel zone und West Afrika.

kHz	UTC-z	WeAF	Sirjan	kW	deg	ant	daily
21480	1130-1200	46,47	SIR	500	263	0	218 HAUSA IRN IRB
21800	1130-1200	46,47	SIR	500	256	0	218 HAUSA IRN IRB

Standort Sirjan, dort viele schoene AEG Telefunken Sender und Antennen von 500 kW. Location at <http://goo.gl/maps/9n0op>

Intermodulation:

$2 \times 21480 = 42960$ minus $21800 = 21160$ kHz.

Symmetrische Intermodulation auch auf 22120 kHz ! oberhalb.

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21505	1130-1200	46,47	SIR	500	270	0	156 HAUSA IRN IRB
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21750	1130-1200	46,47	SIR	500	263	0	218 HAUSA IRN IRB
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Intermodulation

$2 \times 21505 = 43010$ minus $21750 = 21260$ kHz.

Symmetrische Intermodulation auch auf 21995 kHz ! oberhalb.

Eine Erregung mit den Dipols vom Typ '218' oder '156', oder auch schon auf der Feederline Zufuehrung? vy73 de Wolfgang df5sx P11 (B.schel, Feb 5, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Febr 9 via DXLD) i.e., leapfrogs

** IRAN. 4005, *1930-1935 09.02, VOIRI, Kamalabad, Russian ID: "Govorit Iran", hymn, ann, Call to Prayer, 35333 + TV-noise (RadioJet

45344) Best 73, (Anker Petersen, Denmark, comparative loggings on my new PC-driven DX-receiver, the RadioJet 1102S from the German firm Bonito, and my traditional AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire. When the QRK-value was different on the two receivers, it is mentioned, playdx yg via DXLD)

11805, Feb 9 at 1427, VIRI IS, fair signal with noise which sounds self-imposed; 1430 three upward chimes, announcement, national anthem. Same music is playing on much stronger and clearer 11700. Got away from both before Qur'an. HFCC shows 11805 is Bengali, 500 kW, 100 degrees from Kamalabad, while 11700 is Hindi, 500 kW, 118 degrees from Kamalabad. So the two ought to be a near-match in reception.

12085, Feb 10 at 1321, Qur'an, good with flutter, i.e. VIRI Dari service 12-15, 500 kW, 85 degrees from Kamalabad. Not Syria, not Mongolia (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRAN. 15450, VOIRI, 1332 Japanese program Female speaker and at 1334 man chanting in Arabic At 1335 female speaker followed by male speaker at 1336 giving frequencies. 1337 musical bridge followed by female speaker and at 1339 a musical bridge into a male speaker, mentioning America several times. 1341 Female speaking. Excellent signal. // 9665 Fair signal. 2/7/12. Glenn, has VOIRI added 15450 for Japanese in this time slot? (Steve Handler, IL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15450 1230 1330 49,54 KAM 500 109 0 216 1234567 281012 300313 D MELAU
IRN IRB IRB 3977 12A15

Steve, As you can see in HFCC, 15450 is supposed to be in Malay (= Indonesian as in WORTH) during the previous hour 1230-1330. The Arabic of course is the mandatory Qur'an segment near the beginning of each broadcast from Iran. This would not be the first time that they have forgotten to retune a frequency and the next transmission goes out on the one in use the previous hour for a different language. They may well have caught it and made the change later in the hour. Probably 15450 will be missing after 1330 the next time you check. 73, (Glenn Hauser, ODXA yg via DXLD)

VOIRI was not there today so I guess that on the 7th they didn't either re-tune or shut down the 15450 kHz transmitter as scheduled (Steve Handler, Feb 9, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I checked two days later on 2/9/13 at 1336 and no signal. It is possible on 2/7/13 that the transmitter was left on tuned to this frequency, or not returned to another frequency, after the Malaysian language broadcast was scheduled to end at 1330 and it then carried the next broadcast which was the Japanese program (Steve Handler, Buffalo Grove, Illinois, Icom IC-7200 Tecsun PL-660 wire antennas,

NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD)

** IRAN. Winter B-12 SW schedule for VIORI/IRIB:

0030-0227	7420	KAM	500	kW	/	274	deg	SoAm	Spanish
0030-0227	6010	KAM	500	kW	/	259	deg	SoAm	Spanish
0100-0227	5950	SIR	500	kW	/	050	deg	CeAs	Tajik
0100-0227	7435	KAM	500	kW	/	058	deg	CeAs	Tajik
0130-0227	3965	ZAH	500	kW	/	non-dir		SoAs	Urdu
0130-0227	6040	SIR	500	kW	/	016	deg	CeAs	Kazakh
0130-0227	6100	KAM	500	kW	/	094	deg	SoAs	Urdu
0130-0227	6185	AHW	250	kW	/	084	deg	SoAs	Urdu
0130-0227	7205	SIR	500	kW	/	005	deg	CeAs	Kazakh
0200-0257	9510	SIR	500	kW	/	102	deg	SoAs	Hindi
0200-0257	11820	SIR	500	kW	/	095	deg	SoAs	Hindi
0230-0257	6175	KAM	500	kW	/	058	deg	CeAs	Uzbek
0230-0257	7300	SIR	500	kW	/	018	deg	CeAs	Uzbek
0230-0327	5950	SIR	500	kW	/	060	deg	WeAs	Pashto
0230-0327	6010	KAM	500	kW	/	259	deg	SoAm	Spanish
0230-0327	6095	KAM	500	kW	/	094	deg	WeAs	Pashto
0230-0527	7350	KAM	500	kW	/	178	deg	N/ME	Arabic Al-Quds TV
0230-0527	9740	KAM	500	kW	/	250	deg	NEAf	Arabic Al-Quds TV
0230-0527	9895	ZAH	500	kW	/	289	deg	EaAf	Arabic Al-Quds TV
0300-0327	5915	SIR	500	kW	/	328	deg	WeAs	Armenian
0300-0327	7300	SIR	500	kW	/	320	deg	WeAs	Armenian
0300-0327	9510	SIR	500	kW	/	018	deg	CeAs	Russian
0300-0327	11925	KAM	500	kW	/	058	deg	CeAs	Russian
0300-0627	9570	KAM	500	kW	/	079	deg	WeAs	Dari
0300-0627	11860	AHW	250	kW	/	084	deg	WeAs	Dari
0330-0427	7295	KAM	500	kW	/	250	deg	NEAf	Arabic Voice of Palestine
0330-0427	9500	SIR	500	kW	/	282	deg	EaAf	Arabic Voice of Palestine
0330-0427	9710	KAM	500	kW	/	333	deg	NoAm	English Voice of Justice
0330-0427	11770	SIR	500	kW	/	330	deg	NoAm	English Voice of Justice
0330-0527	7335	SIR	500	kW	/	328	deg	WeAs	Azeri
0400-0457	13680	SIR	500	kW	/	211	deg	CEAf	Swahili
0400-0457	15260	SIR	500	kW	/	216	deg	CEAf	Swahili
0430-0457	9755	KAM	500	kW	/	250	deg	NEAf	Hebrew
0430-0457	11870	SIR	500	kW	/	282	deg	EaAf	Hebrew
0430-0527	7370	KAM	500	kW	/	non-dir		N/ME	Kurdish Sorrani dialect
0430-0527	9610	SIR	500	kW	/	310	deg	N/ME	Kurdish Sorrani dialect
0430-0557	6085	KAM	500	kW	/	289	deg	N/ME	Turkish
0430-0557	7370	KAM	500	kW	/	289	deg	N/ME	Turkish
0500-0527	12025	KAM	500	kW	/	358	deg	EaEu	Russian
0500-0527	13680	SIR	500	kW	/	320	deg	EaEu	Russian
0500-0527	17680	SIR	500	kW	/	040	deg	CeAs	Russian
0500-0527	21600	SIR	500	kW	/	046	deg	CeAs	Russian
0530-0627	15330	SIR	500	kW	/	300	deg	SoEu	Spanish
0530-0627	15500	KAM	500	kW	/	304	deg	SEEu	Bosnian
0530-0627	15550	KAM	500	kW	/	289	deg	SoEu	Spanish

0530-0627	17560	SIR	500	kW	/	310	deg	SEEu	Bosnian
0530-0827	13690	KAM	500	kW	/	178	deg	N/ME	Arabic
0530-0827	17650	ZAH	500	kW	/	289	deg	NEAf	Arabic
0530-0827	17820	SIR	500	kW	/	270	deg	NoAf	Arabic
0600-0657	17810	SIR	500	kW	/	263	deg	NWAF	Hausa
0630-0727	13810	KAM	500	kW	/	289	deg	SEEu	Albanian
0630-0727	15085	KAM	500	kW	/	289	deg	SEEu	Italian
0630-0727	15500	SIR	500	kW	/	310	deg	SEEu	Albanian
0630-0727	17560	KAM	500	kW	/	302	deg	WeEu	French
0630-0727	17600	SIR	500	kW	/	300	deg	SEEu	Italian
0630-0727	17865	KAM	500	kW	/	302	deg	WeEu	French
0730-0827	17690	KAM	500	kW	/	310	deg	WeEu	German
0730-0827	21500	SIR	500	kW	/	313	deg	WeEu	German
0830-0927	21510	KAM	500	kW	/	206	deg	CEAf	Swahili
0830-0927	21640	SIR	500	kW	/	231	deg	CEAf	Swahili
0830-1027	13750	KAM	500	kW	/	178	deg	N/ME	Arabic
0830-1027	15400	SIR	500	kW	/	198	deg	N/ME	Arabic
0830-1027	17650	ZAH	500	kW	/	289	deg	NEAf	Arabic
0830-1027	17820	SIR	500	kW	/	270	deg	NoAf	Arabic
0830-1157	15170	KAM	500	kW	/	094	deg	WeAs	Dari
0830-1157	15300	AHW	250	kW	/	084	deg	WeAs	Dari
0930-0957	11820	SIR	500	kW	/	320	deg	WeAs	Armenian
0930-0957	15220	SIR	500	kW	/	322	deg	WeAs	Armenian
1030-1127	11925	AHW	500	kW	/	non-dir		N/ME	Arabic
1030-1127	13725	KAM	500	kW	/	238	deg	NEAf	Arabic
1030-1127	13750	KAM	500	kW	/	178	deg	N/ME	Arabic
1030-1127	17550	KAM	500	kW	/	258	deg	EaAf	Arabic
1030-1127	17650	ZAH	500	kW	/	289	deg	NEAf	Arabic
1030-1127	21575	KAM	500	kW	/	105	deg	SoAs	English
1030-1127	21610	KAM	500	kW	/	112	deg	SoAs	English
1130-1157	21480	SIR	500	kW	/	263	deg	NWAF	Hausa
1130-1157	21800	SIR	500	kW	/	256	deg	NWAF	Hausa
1130-1427	13750	KAM	500	kW	/	178	deg	N/ME	Arabic
1130-1427	17550	KAM	500	kW	/	258	deg	EaAf	Arabic
1130-1427	17650	ZAH	500	kW	/	289	deg	NEAf	Arabic
1200-1227	13740	SIR	500	kW	/	282	deg	EaAf	Hebrew
1200-1227	15515	KAM	500	kW	/	259	deg	NEAf	Hebrew
1200-1257	15150	KAM	500	kW	/	065	deg	EaAs	Chinese
1200-1257	15360	SIR	500	kW	/	065	deg	EaAs	Chinese
1200-1257	15525	KAM	500	kW	/	064	deg	EaAs	Chinese
1200-1257	17560	SIR	500	kW	/	076	deg	EaAs	Chinese
1200-1427	12085	KAM	500	kW	/	085	deg	WeAs	Dari
1200-1427	15300	AHW	250	kW	/	084	deg	WeAs	Dari
1230-1327	7435	SIR	500	kW	/	068	deg	WeAs	Pashto
1230-1327	9725	ZAH	500	kW	/	non-dir		WeAs	Pashto
1230-1327	15450	KAM	500	kW	/	109	deg	SEAs	Bahasa Malay
1230-1327	17715	SIR	500	kW	/	115	deg	SEAs	Bahasa Malay
1300-1427	9715	SIR	500	kW	/	080	deg	SoAs	Urdu

1300-1427	11685	KAM	500	kW	/	178	deg	N/ME	Urdu
1300-1427	11720	KAM	500	kW	/	118	deg	SoAs	Urdu
1330-1427	9665	KAM	500	kW	/	060	deg	EaAs	Japanese
1330-1427	9585	SIR	500	kW	/	060	deg	EaAs	Japanese
1330-1627	5920	KAM	500	kW	/	non-dir	N/ME	Kurdish	Kirmanji dialect
1430-1457	12085	KAM	500	kW	/	085	deg	WeAs	Dari
1430-1527	5965	SIR	500	kW	/	065	deg	WeAs	Pashto
1430-1527	7285	KAM	500	kW	/	058	deg	CeAs	Russian
1430-1527	7320	KAM	500	kW	/	178	deg	N/ME	Bengali
1430-1527	9630	KAM	500	kW	/	094	deg	SoAs	Bengali
1430-1527	9685	AHW	250	kW	/	026	deg	CeAs	Russian
1430-1527	11700	KAM	500	kW	/	118	deg	SoAs	Hindi
1430-1527	11805	KAM	500	kW	/	100	deg	SoAs	Bengali
1430-1527	11860	SIR	500	kW	/	320	deg	EaEu	Russian
1430-1527	13750	SIR	500	kW	/	102	deg	SoAs	Hindi
1430-1627	9515	KAM	500	kW	/	178	deg	N/ME	Arabic
1430-1627	17550	KAM	500	kW	/	258	deg	EaAf	Arabic
1430-1657	12015	ZAH	500	kW	/	289	deg	WeAs	Azeri
1500-1557	5995	KAM	500	kW	/	058	deg	CeAs	Uzbek
1500-1557	7395	SIR	500	kW	/	030	deg	CeAs	Uzbek
1530-1627	7380	KAM	500	kW	/	058	deg	CeAs	Kazakh
1530-1627	9850	SIR	500	kW	/	018	deg	CeAs	Kazakh
1530-1627	13785	SIR	500	kW	/	105	deg	SEAs	English
1530-1627	15525	KAM	500	kW	/	310	deg	SEAs	English
1530-1727	5940	SIR	500	kW	/	090	deg	SoAs	Urdu
1600-1727	5995	SIR	500	kW	/	065	deg	CeAs	Tajik
1600-1727	6175	KAM	500	kW	/	289	deg	N/ME	Turkish
1600-1727	7315	KAM	500	kW	/	298	deg	N/ME	Turkish
1600-1727	7435	KAM	500	kW	/	058	deg	CeAs	Tajik
1630-1657	7335	KAM	500	kW	/	100	deg	SoAs	Bengali
1630-1657	9785	KAM	500	kW	/	094	deg	SoAs	Bengali
1630-1727	6005	SIR	500	kW	/	060	deg	WeAs	Pashto
1630-1727	6060	ZAH	500	kW	/	289	deg	NEAf	Arabic
1630-1727	6090	KAM	500	kW	/	304	deg	WeAs	Armenian
1630-1727	7230	SIR	500	kW	/	320	deg	WeAs	Armenian
1630-1727	7345	AHW	250	kW	/	084	deg	WeAs	Pashto
1630-1727	9515	KAM	500	kW	/	178	deg	N/ME	Arabic
1700-1757	3965	KAM	500	kW	/	non-dir	EaEu	Russian	
1700-1757	5920	AHW	250	kW	/	026	deg	CeAs	Russian
1730-1827	6080	SIR	500	kW	/	300	deg	SEEu	Bosnian
1730-1827	6205	SIR	500	kW	/	320	deg	WeEu	German
1730-1827	7420	KAM	500	kW	/	304	deg	WeEu	German
1730-1827	9665	KAM	500	kW	/	210	deg	CEAf	Swahili
1730-1827	9850	KAM	500	kW	/	298	deg	SEEu	Bosnian
1730-1827	11830	SIR	500	kW	/	216	deg	CEAf	Swahili
1730-2027	6060	ZAH	500	kW	/	289	deg	NEAf	Arabic
1730-2027	7285	KAM	500	kW	/	178	deg	N/ME	Arabic
1800-1857	6140	KAM	500	kW	/	358	deg	EaEu	Russian

1800-1857 7350 SIR 500 kW / 320 deg EaEu Russian
 1830-1927 6040 SIR 500 kW / 300 deg SEEu Albanian
 1830-1927 6085 KAM 500 kW / 304 deg WeEu French
 1830-1927 7380 SIR 500 kW / 313 deg WeEu French
 1830-1927 9570 KAM 500 kW / 259 deg NWAf Hausa
 1830-1927 9605 KAM 500 kW / 298 deg SEEu Albanian
 1830-1927 13650 KAM 500 kW / 259 deg NWAf French
 1830-1927 13730 SIR 500 kW / 257 deg NWAf Hausa
 1930-1957 6085 KAM 500 kW / 289 deg SEEu Italian
 1930-1957 7385 SIR 500 kW / 300 deg SEEu Italian
 1930-2027 4005 KAM 500 kW / non-dir EaEu Russian
 1930-2027 6040 KAM 500 kW / 304 deg WeEu English
 1930-2027 7205 SIR 500 kW / 340 deg EaEu Russian
 1930-2027 7345 SIR 500 kW / 313 deg WeEu English
 1930-2027 13670 SIR 500 kW / 211 deg SoAf English
 1930-2027 15450 KAM 500 kW / 205 deg SoAf English
 2030-0227 6060 ZAH 500 kW / 289 deg NEAf Arabic
 2030-2127 6080 KAM 500 kW / 289 deg SoEu Spanish
 2030-2127 6165 SIR 500 kW / 295 deg SEEu Albanian
 2030-2127 9605 KAM 500 kW / 298 deg SEEu Albanian
 2030-2127 9630 SIR 500 kW / 302 deg SoEu Spanish
 2100-2157 5990 SIR 500 kW / 060 deg EaAs Japanese
 2100-2157 7395 SIR 500 kW / 053 deg EaAs Japanese
 2130-2227 5950 SIR 500 kW / 295 deg SEEu Bosnian
 2130-2227 9710 KAM 500 kW / 298 deg SEEu Bosnian
 2230-2327 9775 KAM 500 kW / 109 deg SEAs Bahasa Malay
 2230-2327 11800 SIR 500 kW / 102 deg SEAs Bahasa Malay
 2330-0027 5915 SIR 500 kW / 068 deg EaAs Chinese
 2330-0027 6110 SIR 500 kW / 075 deg EaAs Chinese
 2330-0027 7325 KAM 500 kW / 064 deg EaAs Chinese (DX RE MIX NEWS #767
 from Georgi Bancov & Ivo Ivanov, Feb. 11, as of 13, dxldyg via DXLD)

** IRAN. Subject: [INTRUDER ALERT] Iran OTH radar on 10 m

Dear friends, 28120 kHz center, Iran OTH since Feb. 11th with long
 lasting burst emissions. Parameters: main signal 28090-28150 kHz,
 splatters are covering 28000-28500 kHz, sweeprates 307 and 870 (rather
 high) - digital ham-traffic on 10 m-band not possible - location
 possibly South Iran - waiting for better bearings - The German PTT is
 preparing a complaint. Please observe and inform your national PTTs!
 Each complaint is necessary!

Attach: Screenshot by DK20M on Feb. 12th at about 1100 UT. Observe:
<http://www.iarums-r1.org> - look for "Latest Intruder News". 73 de
 (Wolf, DK20M, Feb 12, INTRUDERALERT mailing list via Wolfgang B.schel,
 DXLD)

** IRELAND. 8957-USB, Shannon Volmet, 1045 ID, 1040 to 1050 3 Feb

(Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D, Icom 746Pro, Drake R8 - 60 meter dipole - AOG, dxsf 1981-2013, Feb 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ISRAEL. Hi Glenn, I have been noticing Galei Zahal evenings around the 0000 UT slot on 6885 kHz, though not every night. I was wondering if their broadcasts were dependent on military activity in the region; hence not necessarily regularly scheduled. Tonight, 10 February 2013, they are on with a fair signal to my area. I have been able to log them on occasion this winter with an S9 signal, at which times I can enjoy some very nice music. Considering power and directionality, by my standards, this is a decent "DX catch." 73's, (Ed Insinger, Summit, NJ, UT Feb 10, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ITALY. Re: PROSSIME CHIUSURE RAI 1 ONDE MEDIE

> La domanda È: come si sente dalle tue parti Rai Radio 1 in FM? In altre parole, la RAI sta almeno salvaguardando l'ascolto oppure sta facendo un'operazione in perdita?

Ciao Giorgio, la Rai in FM a Forlì arriva da sempre benissimo: il ripetitore locale, Bertinoro/Monte Maggio, È in cima a una splendida collina in posizione ideale per coprire larga parte di quest'area della pianura romagnola.

PerÚ È da molto tempo che si parla di spostare il ripetitore, per dubbi legati all'intensità del campo elettromagnetico nell'adiacente cittadina di Bertinoro e ai rischi eventuali per la salute degli abitanti. Il potente ripetitore bertinorese per la TV analogica È stato spento col passaggio al digitale terrestre, creando qualche transitorio problema di ricezione ma diminuendo le potenze in gioco.

Il problema È che una località geograficamente altrettanto valida non c'È; quindi È possibile che, in caso di trasferimento del ripetitore, qualche inconveniente non transitorio di copertura FM si possa verificare in futuro.

La stazione in onde medie di Rimini sui 999 kHz È sita in un'area lontana da significativi agglomerati urbani e non ho mai saputo di contestazioni legate alla nocività del suo campo elettromagnetico. La scelta di spegnerla È quindi legata a valutazioni economiche e di politica aziendale, non a rischi sanitari reali o presunti.

Sulla opportunità e sulla lungimiranza delle scelte della Rai purtroppo possiamo solo obiettare tra di noi, ma il fatto di pagare un canone non ci dà comunque autorità di esprimere un'opinione diretta. Quanto al ministero competente, se si tratta di autorizzare a vanvera stazioni di tempo e frequenza pseudo-campione a diffusione

internazionale non c'È problema, ma l'uso delle semiabbandonate onde medie per servizi a copertura locale o semilocale È materia diabolica. (Fabrizio Magrone, Feb 10, bclnews.it yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DXLD)

** ITALY. 10000, 6/2 1757, Amici Italcable, music, time, ID at 1800 in it, very good. Ciao (Giampiero Bernardini, Excalibur Pro, SDR-IQ, FunCube Pro Plus, Icom R7100, Loop Wellbrook LFL 1010, MaxiWhip con balun 1:32 e 1:40 by A. Capra, <http://radiodxsw.blogspot.it/> Feb 13, playdx yg via DXLD)

[and non]. Radio Segnale Orario SRC 10 em 10 MHz

Escutei no WebSDR e gravei. OuÁam aqui:
<http://www.qsl.net/py4zbz/A/italcable.wav>

O espectrograma da transmisso est aqui:
<http://www.qsl.net/py4zbz/A/horaita4.png>

Est no ar desde junho 2012, em AM-USB!

``E' attiva la stazione amatoriale e sperimentale della radio trasmettente sulla frequenza 10MHz Modulazione d'Ampiezza, 24 ore su 24 il segnale orario Italiano, Locator: JN53DV.``

<http://www.associazioneitalcable.it/>

No Brasil temos o ON [Observatrio Nacional] atrapalhando a recepo de WWV em 10 MHz. Os italianos tem essa que mais parece pirata. Porqu no transmitem uns kHz fora, a exemplo da RWM? Algum j ouviu? 73 de (Roland. PY4ZBZ, Brasil, 7 Feb, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

** ITALY [non]. Hi Glenn, I wanted to report reception of IRRS Shortwave on 10 February 2013, 1855 UT carrier sign on, 7290 kHz, via Romania. This was the beginning of a 35 minute span of programming free of ARO activity on this frequency, making for clear reception conditions. At 1857, I heard the singing of "Na Na Hey, Hey, Goodbye," followed at 1900 by opening station ID: "IRRS shortwave in Milano signing on." Program consisted of female announcer with a very young voice reading and discussing the Book of Revelation, specifically Chapter 6 today. Ended at 2020, when an announcement was made stating that "sugar and animal fats make us sick," followed by the suggestion of replacing these with bananas, strawberries and blueberries, blended with milk. At 1930, station ID by a male announcer, with postal address in Milano, followed by Evangelist Earl Bailey, as ARO splash over QRM from 7285 kHz noted.

I have written to this address, as well as sending an e-mail to

reports@nexus.org This prompts an automated response from support@nexus.org as follows: "Thank you for your e-mail. This reply indicates that your request has been received, and will be answered promptly by a human."

The station may or may not reply; I have been fortunate to receive QSL's via both postal and e-mail reports. 73's, (Ed Insinger, Summit, NJ, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** JAPAN. 3945, R. Nikkei-2 (presumed) Feb 13 testing their transmitter; usual sign off time 0800; noted randomly from 1225 to past 1434 with strong signal; mostly chatting in Japanese. No hope of hearing Vanuatu earlier! (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KASHMIR [non]. 4870, 8/2 1524-1532*, Sedaye Kashmir, Delhi, India, talks, fair, off at 1532 Ciao (Giampiero Bernardini, Excalibur Pro, SDR-IQ, FunCube Pro Plus, Icom R7100, Loop Wellbrook LFL 1010, MaxiWhip con balun 1:32 e 1:40 by A. Capra, <http://radiodxsw.blogspot.it/> Feb 13, playdx yg via DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH. 2850, Korean Central Broadcasting, 1030 with Korean programming on 3 Feb, 1100 to 1110 on 4 Feb, a band indicator in South Florida (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D, Icom 746Pro, Drake R8 - 60 meter dipole - AOG, dxsf 1981-2013, and XM - Cedar Key - South Florida, NRD 525D, R8A, E-5, Feb 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH. D.P.R. Two transmitters of Voice of Korea do not work on Feb. 7/8:

First transmitter not on air from a long time:

0300-0657 13650 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg SEAs Ch/Fr/En/Ch, observed Feb 5

0700-0950 15245 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg EaEu Ru/Ru/Ko, observed Feb 5

1000-1250 9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir NEAs Ko/Ch/Ko

1300-2350 12015 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu

En/Fr/En/Fr/Ko/En/Sp/Fr/En/Sp/Ko

Second transmitter air Feb. 5/6, but no signal Feb. 7/8:

0300-0657 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg CSAm Sp/En/Sp/Fr

0700-0950 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg EaEu Ru/Ru/Ko,

Feb. 8 carrier 0800-0820

1000-1250 6170 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg CSAm En/Fr/Ko

1300-2350 7570 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu

En/Fr/En/Fr/Ko/En/Sp/Fr/En/Sp/Ko

Other off air frequencies, according monitoring Feb. 7/8:

0300-0757 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir NEAs Ko/En/Ch/En/Ko, off air

0700-0757 9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir NEAs Korean PBS, off air

0800-0950 9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir NEAs Chinese/Korean, on air
 0800-0950 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir NEAs Chinese/Korean, on air
 1000-1050 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir NEAs Korean PBS, off air
 1100-1157 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir NEAs Chinese, on air
 1200-1257 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir NEAs Korean PBS, off air
 1300-1357 6170 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg EaEu Korean PBS, off air
 1300-1357 9325 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg EaEu Korean PBS, off air
 1400-2050 6170 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu Ru/Ru/Ge/Ru/Ge/Ge/Ko, on air
 1400-2050 9325 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu Ru/Ru/Ge/Ru/Ge/Ge/Ko, on air
 (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

D.P.R., Voice of Korea update, according to monitoring on Feb. 9-11:

0300-0350 on 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir NEAs Korean PBS, off air
 0300-0357 on 13650 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg SEAs Chinese, back on air
 0300-0357 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg CSAm Spanish, back on air
 0400-0457 on 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir NEAs English, off air
 0400-0457 on 13650 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg SEAs French, back on air
 0400-0457 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg CSAm English, back on air
 0500-0557 on 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir NEAs Chinese, off air
 0500-0557 on 13650 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg SEAs English, back on air
 0500-0557 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg CSAm Spanish, back on air
 0600-0657 on 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir NEAs English, off air
 0600-0657 on 13650 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg SEAs Chinese, back on air
 0600-0657 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg CSAm French, back on air
 0700-0757 on 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir NEAs Korean PBS, off air
 0700-0757 on 9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir NEAs Korean PBS, off air
 0700-0757 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg EaEu Russian, back on air
 0700-0757 on 15245 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg EaEu Russian, back on air
 0800-0857 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg EaEu Russian, back on air
 0800-0857 on 15245 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg EaEu Russian, back on air
 0900-0950 on 9975 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg ERus Korean PBS, off air
 0900-0950 on 11735 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg ERus Korean PBS, off air
 0900-0950 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg EaEu Korean PBS, off air
 0900-0950 on 15245 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg EaEu Korean PBS, off air
 1000-1057 on 6170 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg CSAm English, off air
 1000-1050 on 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir NEAs Korean PBS, off air
 1000-1050 on 9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir NEAs Korean PBS, off air
 1100-1157 on 6170 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg CSAm French, off air
 1100-1157 on 9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir NEAs Chinese, off air
 1200-1257 on 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir NEAs Korean PBS, off air
 1200-1257 on 9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir NEAs Korean PBS, off air
 1300-1357 on 6170 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg EaEu Korean PBS, off air
 1300-1357 on 7570 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu English, back on air
 1300-1357 on 9325 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg EaEu Korean PBS, off air
 1300-1357 on 12015 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu English, back on air
 1400-1457 on 7570 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu French, back on air
 1400-1457 on 12015 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu French, back on air
 1500-1557 on 7570 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu English, back on air

1500-1557 on 12015 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu English, back on air
 1600-1657 on 7570 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu French, back on air
 1600-1657 on 12015 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu French, back on air
 1700-1750 on 7570 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu Korean KCBS, back on air
 1700-1750 on 12015 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu Korean KCBS, back on air
 1800-1857 on 7570 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu English, back on air
 1800-1857 on 12015 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu English, back on air
 1900-1957 on 7570 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu Spanish, back on air
 1900-1957 on 12015 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu Spanish, back on air
 2000-2057 on 7570 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu French, back on air
 2000-2057 on 12015 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu French, back on air
 2100-2157 on 7570 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu English, back on air
 2100-2157 on 12015 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu English, back on air
 2200-2257 on 7570 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu Spanish, back on air
 2200-2257 on 12015 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu Spanish, back on air
 2300-2350 on 7570 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu Korean KCBS, back on air
 2300-2350 on 12015 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu Korean KCBS, back on air
 (DX RE MIX NEWS #767 from Georgi Bancov & Ivo Ivanov, Mon, Feb. 11, as
 of Feb 13, 2013, dxldyg via DXLD)

D.P.R., 9650.009 Regular two spurious signals from Japanese service
 from Voice of Korea, Kujang noted again at 0745 UT on Feb 10 on 9588
 (9583-9591) and 9712 (9708-9716 kHz range) kHz (Wolfgang B_schel,
 wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DXLD)

Two bigger spurious signals noted on CA-US remote Perseus unit at 1500
 UT Feb 11, when Voice of Korea Kujang opened 9325.000 kHz in Russian,
 and much stronger English service on 9335.006 kHz with their chorus
 hymn. Symmetric spurious on both 9275 and 9396 kHz revealed originate
 fundamental signal from 9335 kHz channel. (9270 to 9281, and 9392 to
 9400 kHz range symmetrical). (Wolfgang B_schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews,
 dxldyg via DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. 5910, Feb 8 at 1330, Sea Breeze is indeed in
 English this Friday, opening with sad piano accompaniment, asking for
 info about abductees with all their contact info; ``This is Shiokaze -
 Seabreeze, the Shiokaze program from Tokyo, Japan``; 1333 into ``news
 flashes`` starting with some spot in North Korea being opened to
 tourism (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

JAPAN, Frequency changes of Shiokaze Sea Breeze in various languages*
 1330-1430 NF 5910 YAM 100 kW / 280 deg to KRE , ex 5985
 2000-2100 NF 5910 YAM 100 kW / 280 deg to KRE , ex 5955
 *Japanese Mon/Wed/Thu; Chinese/Korean Tue; English Fri;
 Korean/Japanese Sat; Japanese/Korean Sun.

Good reception in Sofia, Bulgaria for both transmissions. 73! (Ivo
 Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long

wire, Feb 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [and non]. Feb 7, Voice of the People at 1256 UT clearly // 3480 (the best), 3912, 4450 and 4557; all with some degree of jamming; in Korean.

<https://www.box.com/s/a9vwdbhe5noxi6z6uryu>

(Ron Howard, Calif., USA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. 31/1, 7505, 2004-2040, program mostly with Korean songs. 2025 with English languages program, S8 45544 (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISENING DIGEST) But what? ---

7505 Radio Free Chosun 2000-2100 1234567 Korean 100 71 Dushanbe-Yangiyul TJK 06848E 3829N _RFC b12 (Aoki via DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. 2 Feb, 7515, V of Martyrs, 1631 talks by YL in Korean, 1632 several operas N Korean style. At 1636 voice overs. S4 25433 (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISENING DIGEST)

** KOREA SOUTH. HLG Seoul radio aerials:

<https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=4098772758095&set=p.4098772758095&type=1&theater>

(via Ian Baxter, shortwavesites yg via DXLD) utility, I guess (gh)

** KURDISTAN [non]. 11510, Feb 9 at 1447, Denge Kurdistan, presumably via PRIDNESTROVYE, good signal but IADs interrupting prolonged dramatic music piece, presumably about the plight of Kurds in Turkey; finally announcement at 1501 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

2 Feb, 7390, Denge Kurdistan, 1652 a political song about Kurdish partisans. Near to the end of song the signal dropped abruptly and returned 45 secs later but there was only a carrier (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISENING DIGEST) So you understand some Kurdish? (gh)

** KURDISTAN [non]. VOA AIRS BANNED FILM "RHINO SEASON" IN IRAN

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The award winning film, Rhino Season, by Kurdish-Iranian director Bahman Ghobadi, airs on the Voice of America's Persian Service today, after the filmmaker granted exclusive rights to broadcast the movie into Iran.

The film, which has been banned by the Iranian government, won the 2012 Asia Pacific Screen Award and the Prize of the Jury at the 2012 San Sebastian International Film Festival. It was also nominated as Best International Feature at the Chicago International Film Festival.

This is the first movie Ghobadi has made outside of Iran since he fled

in 2009. He says it is important for the Voice of America to air the film in Iran because government censors are preventing it from being seen.

Ghobadi bases his latest work on the story of an Iranian-Kurdish poet named Sahel, who was imprisoned during the Iranian revolution of 1979. Rhino Season follows Sahel in his quest to find his wife and children after years of imprisonment. The film features flashbacks to the past, including complicated twists involving a jealous driver who betrays Sahel.

The movie features Italian actress Monica Bellucci as Sahel's wife, and well-known Iranian actor Behrouz Vossoughi, who has been living in exile and makes a return to the cinema after more than 30 years. The majority of the movie was shot on location in Istanbul, Turkey.

Ghobadi, who donated the broadcast rights to VOA, calls his film "a work of poetry" and a project that is in contrast to any of his previous work. "It shows the point of view of a Kurdish poet, whose family thinks he has died in prison," Ghobadi says.

The film airs first on VOA's direct-to-home satellite stream Friday evening February 8th in Iran. It can also be watched online on the VOA Persian website (VOA PR Feb 8 via DXLD)

** KUWAIT. 15540, 11/Feb 1807, R Kuwait in English. Just JBA in my QTH, but improves the signal later. In SDR from Twente, very weak signal. At 1809 quick instrumental music and YL and OM talk. Back at 1824 already has audible modulation with music in my Degen (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, 12 14~~VS~~ 38 58~~W~~ - Brasil, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** LAOS. 6129.989, Unidentified radio station noted on remote SDR unit at Nagoya-JPN. MOST PROBABLY Lao National Radio from Vientiane noted at 1200 UT Feb 11th in Laotian like sound. S=5-6 signal. Co-channel adjacent even 6130 CNR PBS Xizang in Tibetan (Wolfgang B,schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DXLD)

** LIBYA. 11600, Radio Libye, Sabrata, 1908-1918. Talk in Arabic by man, probably news. Fanfare 1916 followed by ID by man and talk about Libya. Moderate signal strength with some fading, my best log of this station in many months. 1/30/2013 (Jim Evans, Germantown TN, Perseus, IC-R75, RX-340, ALA100M Loop, Eavesdropper Dipole, Random Wire (90'), NASWA Flashsheet via WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DXLD) See also SARAWAK [non]

** LIBYA. Radio Libia --- Pr-cticamente cÙmo una emisora local a las 2019 UTC en 11600 kHz (Ernesto Paulero, Argentina, Feb 9, condiglist yg via DXLD)

That does it. I can never detect more than a JBA carrier here. It must be quite direxional unfavorable to NAM; the tnx we get for helping them out (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DXLD)

** MALAYSIA. 11665 (presumed), RTM, 1918-1926 29 Jan with pop songs; 1919 in a rather folk-ish song with tribal ingredients. Can't compare to 9835 as this time two stations are covering them. S2 max, better in LSB. Faded out at 1936 (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 1090, Feb 7 at 1347 UT, as I think I am hearing reactivated KAAZ, fast SAH and Spanish takes over, soon 7:47 timecheck, ``Milenio Radio, 103.7, volvemos`` after ad break. XEAU Monterrey, the usual one here (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 2910, Feb 11 at 1155 and still 1219 UT, very poor signal but usual Spanish morning news magazine with some music, from XEVT, 3 x 970, Villahermosa, Tabasco, our most persistent and regular MW harmonic, along with KGLD 2660 Texas. Ever-increasing storm noise level disrupts our 2 MHz DXing (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. Following story is of interest because it refers to XEVT at the end, about the migration of AM stations to FM, in this case in Tabasco state. That will take care of the AM harmonic on 2910! ---(gh)

"CAMBIO DE FRECUENCIA NO AFECT" A RADIODIFUSORAS"

A pesar de que la Industria de la Radio y la Televisi n en Tabasco ha sabido sobreponerse a la Nueva Ley Federal de Telecomunicaciones aprobada en la pasada administraci n, no se prev n inversiones importantes en este sector en el presente a o.

De acuerdo al secretario general del Sindicato de Trabajadores de la Industria de la Radio y la Televisi n en el estado, Luis Ruiz de la Cruz, fueron m nimos los empleos que se perdieron con la entrada en vigor de este ordenamiento legal, que entre otras cosas determin  el cambio de estaciones de Amplitud Modulada por las de Frecuencia Modulada.

Esto, a trav s del sistema Combo, el cual consiste en que  stas tambi n se tienen que sintonizar en Frecuencia Modulada (FM), despu s de un a o de haber entrado en operatividad en la nueva modalidad tendr n que desaparecer de AM.

"Como sucede en todo, las leyes son de acuerdo a como se apliquen, pero en el caso de algunas reformas que se est n dando creo que pueden afectar a los que no tienen alguna organizaci n sindical, m s que nada

puede afectar a los trabajadores libres que siempre mantienen problemas porque no les cumplen los derechos, porque no les dan de alta en el IMSS porque manejan con la jornada reducida y con menos de salario mínimo y no tienen derechos", afirmó.

En contraparte, dijo que en Estados Unidos hay mucha menos protección a los trabajadores que en México, por lo cual es necesario que haya mayor inversión.

Ruiz de la Cruz dijo que en Tabasco en total se tienen 297 trabajadores sindicalizados y con autorización para uso de micrófono 90, pero con estas nuevas disposiciones se descartan nuevas inversiones y por ende la generación de más empleos.

"Están habiendo cambios de funciones, en algunos casos se van a aumentar, por ejemplo en el momento en que dejen de haber las AM que había que mantener vigilantes de plantas transmisoras, en el momento en que esas AM cierran definitivamente esas plazas se pierden, pero hay que crear nuevas plazas que van a ser necesarias o la jornadas tendrán que prorratearse entre los trabajadores que tengan que estar pendiente de los equipos, yo creo que como todo cambio, al desaparecer las AM van a haber cambios de funciones, pero no creo que desaparezcan plazas porque de por sí tenemos dentro de la industria privada las plazas absolutamente necesarias", argumentó.

Mencionó que en Tabasco son en total 27 concesiones o estaciones, ya con las repetidoras de los canales nacionales. Explicó que hasta la fecha se han incorporado al nuevo sistema digital 10 estaciones de radio; siendo la 620 la primera en sintonizarse en FM, de ahí le siguió la triple "Q", posteriormente se incorporó la XEVT.

Con la nueva modalidad se logra una mejor calidad de sonido, incluso muchos de los vehículos de modelo reciente ya no traen Amplitud Modulada (El Heraldo de Tabasco vía Conexión Digital Feb 9 vía DXLD)

CD never gives original source for such stories quoted but I found this right away by searching on a key phrase:
<http://www.oem.com.mx/elheraldodetabasco/notas/n2839557.htm>
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

**** MEXICO. PUBLIC-SERVICE SPOTS HAVE RADIO LISTENERS WONDERING**
By Sandra Dibble 7:30 p.m. March 11, **2012**

On a recent weekday morning, San Diego's 91-X was broadcasting its familiar fare of alternative rock, North County traffic updates and upbeat commercials for cars, mattresses and sandwiches. Out of the blue, a woman's voice came on:

Oh, and I am really concerned, because the support coordinator will remove the support he's giving me if I don't vote as he wants.

Another woman answered sympathetically: They wanted to do the same thing to me in the last election.

Bleary-eyed morning commuters might well have wondered: Who were these women? What were they talking about? And what was their message for listeners tuned to XETRA 91.1 FM, a station owned by Local Media of America?

The station's studios may be in Mira Mesa, but its 100,000-watt signal is sent out from an antenna in Tijuana. The station's license is held through a Mexican government concession by a Mexican company, Comunicaci3n Xersa, and under Mexican law, it must commit to 48 minutes a day of tiempos oficiales. That's the term for public-service announcements from Mexico's federal executive, legislative and judiciary branches, as well as from the country's Federal Electoral Institute and its major political parties.

In Baja California, the spots have been the subject of growing irritation: Why waste valuable airtime, critics complain, that could be used to promote the state to a vast radio public in Southern California?

XETRA is among a few dozen stations that stretch from San Diego to Brownsville, Texas, with audiences in the United States but antennas south of the border. Many are Spanish-language stations targeting U.S. Latinos. But in San Diego, a half-dozen stations are aimed at English-language listeners. The call letters are a clue: Mexican stations start with an X, while California stations start with a K.

Other local cross-border stations include XEPRS-AM, known as XX1090, the flagship station of the San Diego Padres. Its offices are in La Jolla, but it transmits from an antenna in Rosarito Beach.

We get calls about them, Tex Meyer, vice president and general manager at XX1090, said of the public-service announcements. The main question is, Why do you run them?

Broadcasts from Mexico to the United States date back to the 1930s, said Gene Fowler, who researched the phenomenon and cowrote a book on the subject, Border Radio. In the early days, these stations were known as border blasters or were operated by a collection of colorful personalities who managed to sidestep U.S. regulations and reach an even broader American audience by using high-powered transmitters from south of the border.

Most of the stations were along the Texas-Mexico border. But in the mid-1960s, the U.S. disc jockey Wolfman Jack rose to worldwide fame through his broadcasts sent out over 1090-AM's powerful, 50,000-watt transmitter in Rosarito Beach.

By the mid-1980s, the heyday of border blasters had ended due to the decline of AM radio and a 1972 treaty between the United States and Mexico that allocated FM frequencies. But with relatively few frequencies in San Diego, U.S. radio station owners have continued to seize the opportunity of broadcasting from Baja California.

Those that do must comply with Mexican government requirements for all commercial radio stations, including the airing of public-service announcements.

Without proper context, the announcements can seem zany. Here's a sampling:

iI told you so, I told you so, I told you so, I told you so. If you don't want this phrase to drive you crazy, check that your name is on the voters list.i

iiIf you insert the thread through the eye of the needle for the first time ... and you have always been interested in what happens to your country ... you have to do what it takes to become an electoral observer.i

ii2012 expense federation budget, which is approved by the legislative body, strengthens the state's finances ...i

iIt's almost like a bad joke,i said Gastón Luken Garza, a Mexican federal legislator from Tijuana who has been working in Mexico City to end the broadcast of these spots to the Southern California market. iIt just doesn't make sense.i

Tiempos oficiales have been a staple of Mexico's broadcasts media since the 1960s, said Luis Carlos Aztiazar, head of the Tijuana-based Grupo Uniradio and president of the Baja California division of the National Chamber of Radio and Television. They came about as a compromise after Mexico's federal government sought to impose a tax on the country's radio and television stations, which operate under a federal concession, Aztiazar said. . . .
<http://www.utsandiego.com/news/2012/mar/11/public-service-spots-have-radio-listeners/?page=2#article-copy>
(via CGC Communicator via Kevin Redding, ABDX via DXLD)

** MONGOLIA [non]. 12085, Feb 8 at 1453 poor signal with rough modulation until 1457 open carrier; 1500 something else starts. I had

V. of Mongolia in mind, but apparently this frequency is used by them only at 0900-1100. Instead, I must be hearing Iran's Dari service via Kamalabad at 12-15, and RFA Tibetan via Kuwait at 15-16 and/or CNR1 jamming. 1531 something still audible, Chinese?

12015, the other frequency of Mongolia, is as usual blocked by RTTY at 1506. This is the one they are supposedly using at 1400-1600 including English at 1530, but so is North Korea unless it's one of their silent transmitters (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MYANMAR. 5915, 7/2 0047, Myanma Radio, slow nice songs, same style on 7110 fair.

5985.86, 7/2 0051, Padauk Myay Radio, Myanmar, talks, fair.

7110, 7/2 0046, Thazin Radio, Myanmar, nice slow songs, fair, same style on 5915. Ciao (Giampiero Bernardini, Excalibur Pro, SDR-IQ, FunCube Pro Plus, Icom R7100, Loop Wellbrook LFL 1010, MaxiWhip con balun 1:32 e 1:40 by A. Capra, <http://radiodxsw.blogspot.it/> Feb 13, playdx yg via DXLD)

5985.81, Feb 7 - Burmese vocals, YL announcer between songs, not sure of language. Fair signal, about even with the noise level. More fun to listen to, noise or no noise, now that Shiokaze has vacated 5985 (John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, Colorado. Drake R-8, 100-foot RW, dxingwithcumbre yg via DXLD) Oops, time missing

7110, Feb 11 at 0052, JBA carrier. Since we never hear 7110 in our mornings any more, thought I would try for it by evening grayline, when Thazin Radio is allegedly still on air at 2330-0200 in Kachin and Chin, 50 kW, 356 degrees from Naypyidaw per Aoki (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NEW ZEALAND. 11725, Feb 7 at 1256, no signal from RNZI, where first heard on 'test' Feb 4; Ivo Ivanov thought this test would last until Feb 10, as I quoted on WORLD OF RADIO, but apparently not.

On the next day, Feb 5, I noticed it was a lot weaker, and wondered if in the meantime, had switched from 35 degree antenna favoring us to 325 degrees as scheduled for that bihour; but RA 11945 was also weaker than usual.

Now Feb 7, How to Listen schedule <http://www.rnzi.com/pages/listen.php> has been edited to remove anything about such a test, again showing 15720 at 1059-1258. As soon as I found 11725 missing, I checked that and other known RNZI frequencies on 13, 9, 7 and 6 MHz but did not hear any. The Europeans should be happy, where 15720 is best.

5950 is still next, well heard opening after Bell Bird with news at 1300 Feb 7 about casualties in the Solomons' tsunami (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

New schedule received today shows again 15720 kHz at 1059-1258 UT. So should be good reception once again at this time. I can confirm back on 15720 kHz with excellent signal from 1059. Regards & 73's (John Hoadd, UK, Feb 8, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

** NEW ZEALAND. 11725, Sat Feb 9 at 0630, great music on RNZI prevents me from continuing DX bandscanning. It's 'Saturday Night with Peter Fry' from RNZ National, 'A weekly programme of nostalgia and musical memories including your requests, snippets from the comedy archives and Peter's own Deep Purple selections.'

It's at 7:04-11 pm NZST, i.e. 0604-1000 UT, and here's what I heard until 0700, from the playlist:

The Fleet's In Port Again - Billy Cotton & His Band, Alan Breeze (vocal) [Gay]
The Frozen Logger ñ Odetta [Stevens]
The Hippopotamus Song - Flanders & Swann [Flanders/Swann]
La Golondrina - The George Melachrino Orchestra [Serrandell]
Louise - Maurice Chevalier [Robin/Whiting]
Ma, I Miss Your Apple Pie - Ambrose & His Orchestra, Sam Browne (vocal) [Lombardo/Loeb]
There's A Long, Long Trail A-Winding - John McCormack [Elliot]
Greetings From Vienna - Vienna Symphony Orchestra/Robert Stolz [Stolz]

The RNZI schedule grid

<http://www.rnzi.com/pages/schedules.php>

is very misleading showing this show only at 0808-0900, and merely generic 'RNZ National' before then, and nothing after then, so are all four hours really on SW?

We would sure like to hear more of this programme when we are awake, but altho RNZN has an extensive audio library and podcasts, including some music shows, not this one! You'd think most of the old music played would be public-domain by now. While hunting for it I tried to hear one thing, the NZ National Anthem [not GSTQ?], <http://www.radionz.co.nz/radionz/programmes/nat-music/audio/2535945/the-new-zealand-national-anthem.aspx> but 'error synching to stream' (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

That link to "God Defend Godzone" plays fine here with VLC Player, but what a yuck version. I was waiting for the electric guitar wild riff; mebbe I just expect a more traditional treatment for an anthem that

was largely ignored until private radio expanded in the early 70's.

Try this link for a whole range of versions as .mp3's, with the second being the Frankie Stevens' version linked on RNZ's site as an .asx:
<<http://www.mch.govt.nz/nz-identity-heritage/national-anthems/sound-files>>

"Saturday Night with (whomever)" dates back to at least the late 60's on the then NZBC's National Programme, IIRC. RNZI doesn't originate any programming of its own on their Sats and Suns, so the whole thing would be on SW. TD (Theo Donnelly, BC, ex-NZ, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Another frequency change of Radio New Zealand International, English: 1059-1259 NF 15720 RAN 100 kW / 325 deg to Timor, NW Pacific (alt. 11725/17675) 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, Feb 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11724.987, Seldom visible odd, RNZI Rangitaiki on slightly odd frequency this morning, AM mode at 0648 UT Feb 10. Fair S=5-6 signal into Germany, via long path Pacific, Colombia and Azores into our continent. Now at 0830 UT on 9764.997 kHz (Wolfgang B,schel, Feb 10, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DXLD)

** NIGERIA. 6089.86, 6/2 2205, FRCN Kaduna, Hausa, long talk // 594 QRM poor. Ciao (Giampiero Bernardini, Excalibur Pro, SDR-IQ, FunCube Pro Plus, Icom R7100, Loop Wellbrook LFL 1010, MaxiWhip con balun 1:32 e 1:40 by A. Capra, <http://radiodxsw.blogspot.it/> Feb 13, playdx yg via DXLD)

** NIGERIA. 15120, V. of Nigeria, Feb 11 0659-0709, 35433, French, IS from 0659, ID and opening announce, News (Kouji Hashimoto, Japan, RX and ANT: IC-R75+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-525+RD-9830+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-515+35m Long Wire, NRD-345+35m Long Wire, Satellite 750+30m Long Wire DE-1130, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15115-15120-15125, Feb 11 at 1905, no DRM noise detectable from V. of Nigeria, off the air? Africa definitely propagable, still bigsig from 15580 VOA Botswana and smallsig from 15400 BBC Ascension.

15115-15120-15125, Feb 13 at 1958, no DRM from VON, which normally runs 1830-2000. So REE 15125 COSTA RICA analog is clear of QRDRM (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 530, Feb 11 at 0631 UT I monitor the Vance TIS to hear what they're doing lately. Has been on air continuously since my original reports in January, and still unnoted by the weekly base newspaper The Scoop. I've brought it to the attention of the editor. They've added some local content, copied thus until repetition started:

Vance Crimestoppers phone number 580-213-7200
Hours for Commercial Vehicle Search Gate, 0630-1830 weekdays, 0630-1430 Saturdays
Amber alerts, sign up for free! texts
Booster seats for post-baby kids; starts ``They jump out of trees``
Harrison gate is open 24 hours
Hours for Baker(?) gate, not 24h
``You're listening to K-530-AM, broadcasting from Vance Air Force Base, Enid, Oklahoma`` --- so now they have made up a callsign!
How to get info from FEMA
Crimestoppers, etc. . .

Previous experience indicates the selection of PSAs and rotation may vary at different dayparts (Glenn Hauser, Enid, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA [and non]. 1640, UT Feb 8 at 0149-0155 on caradio, KOAG is in dead air again, audiblizing a mishmash of other stations, more than just WTNI MS in English and KBJA UT in Spanish. I suppose #3 should be WKSH in WI, if I can recognize Disney format thru the QRM. AFAIK, the only LA this side of Argentina is R. Juventus Don Bosco in the Dominican Republic, fat chance.

I was returning from a ``Scoping`` forum sponsored by the US Department of Energy, seeking input for an Environmental Impact Statement on a proposed 600 kV HVDC electric transmission line by Clean Line Energy Partners, to export wind generated power from Beaver County in the OK Panhandle, to near Memphis TN. Exact route yet to be determined, but passing south of Enid around Hennessey.

I filed a comment instructing them that the line must NOT interfere with DTV reception in Enid, in the fringe area from OKC stations, as DTV is extremely subject to disruption by even minor amounts of noise. The wind generators for this have yet to be built either. More about it at <http://PlainsandEasternEIS.com>

Scheduling of event at 0030 UT caused me to miss my usual 60 and 49mb monitoring session around 0100 Feb 8. When did Chaski cut carrier this time? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1650, Feb 12 at 1303 UT, our other X-band station has finally been reactivated after losing its transmitter site to flooding. (DX MidAmerica claimed it was back last August but no one else, least of all me, ever heard it then). Now there is no doubt, big signal on the FRG7 just after official February sunrise at 1300:

KYHN ID just as I tune in, then series of long-form promos for shows

on station, interspersed with more IDs, but never mentioning the airtimes! Not very helpful.

1303, just did Clark Howard Show promo; 1304 for Michael Smerconish; ``KYHN: we're larger than all the other [AM] radio stations in the market, combined, 10,000 watts, KYHN``

1305, Focus on the Family promo, running ``best of the best`` segment on marriage; 1309, ``AM 16-50, Arkklahoma's conservative talk radio``; 1310 promo for Sooner game coverage; ``We're 10,000 watts, larger than all other stations combined, this is AM 16-50, KYHN``.

1311, Dennis Miller promo, lauding snack provider who gives no less than 11% of his profits to veterans.

1316 retune, ending Sunday Night Football promo song; singing ID as ``16-50, Arkklahoma's talk radio, KYHN``

1317, Geraldo Rivera promo; that's enough.

So far no problem from KOAG-1640; but at 1743 UT recheck, cannot hear KYHN aside KOAG splash, but IIRC it was tough to hear on daytime groundwave anyway, some 200 miles away.

FCC topo map is captioned 12 km southwest of Fort Smith, i.e. across the line in Oklahoma. Yet we get second-billing, instead of ``Oklansas``!

Evidently they are just re-introducing themselves to long-lost listeners. Smerconish? He's no conservative, a substitute host on MSNBC. His affiliate list (once you know how to spell him) <http://smerconish.com/radio-affiliates-map/> shows nothing ``in`` Arkansas but KUSH-1600 in Oklahoma, M-F 17-19 UT.

Looking thru KYHN's FCC info, in the Correspondence File we find this dated Sept 25, 2012:

``In re: KYHN(AM), Ft. Smith, AR
Facility ID No. 87114
Silent since February 18, 2012
Request for Extension of Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Honig:

This letter concerns the request you filed on September 19, 2012, on behalf of Minority Media and Telecommunications Council, Inc. ("MMTC"), for extension of Special Temporary Authority to permit AM Radio Station KYHN to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that MMTC stated that Station KYHN(AM) went silent on February 18, 2012, for financial reasons. The previous STA was granted on March 29, 2012, and expired on September 25, 2012. MMTC requests extension of its STA pending the grant of its application for assignment of license (File No. BAL-20 12073 IAHH). The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

MMTC's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KYHN(AM) to remain silent until February 18, 2013. Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station KYHN(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., February 19, 2013. See Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).`

So this may only be a temporary turn-on only to prevent losing its license. They are obviously now fully capable technically to broadcast. But will they be gone again after today? Hasten to hear them. And just what ``Minority`` does their corporate name allude to?

We also see an FCC notice of consummation, i.e. ``assignment of license/transfer of control``, Nov 26, 2012, to DAVID E. HONIG.

KYHN does not seem to have a website, but here's its sibling station, KWHN 1320, which has remained active and often audible here:
<http://www.kwhn.com/main.html>

More background from Wikipedia:

``On April 2, 2008, the 1650 kHz station (KWHN at the time, Facility 87114) filed a 'Notification of Suspension of Operations / Request for Silent STA' with the FCC for the following reason:

"Due to heavy spring rains, localized flooding of a nearby waterway placed the transmitter site, and the transmitter itself under several feet of water. Access to the site to determine damage has only recently been allowed, and a casual inspection has revealed tremendous amounts of damage.

In order to be allowed time to decide how to best proceed (sic) with this facility, the licensee requests Special Temporary Authority to remain silent for up to 1 year."[3]

According to the filing, the flood damage occurred on March 24, 2008,`` so that's ancient history now and they could stay on the air if they want to (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING

DIGEST)

Glenn, (I am hearing a weak signal/JBA on 1650 in the pickup. KYHN before going silent years ago had a decent daytime signal into Southeastern AR (Fritze Prentice, Jr., Star City AR, 1930 UT Feb 12, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

1650 kHz, Feb 13 at 0102 UT, I can still hear KYHN ``Fort Smith AR``, again running the Smerconish promo I had around sunrise, and still claiming ``10,000 watts``, which better be an exaggeration after sunset. This via DX-398 on the porch. Could still be on day power as dominant signal on frequency, unlike next check, FRG-7 with E-W longwire at 0620 when buried in QRM, and *still* running no real programming, just promos as heard before, now: Clark Howard show; I don't know him, ``25 years of consumer empowerment`` but he has plenty of stations and his affiliate list is user-friendly at http://www.clarkhoward.com/listen/find_a_station_near_you/ not including KYHN under Arkansas or Oklahoma. ``Our sincere thanks to volunteer Carrie Muller who carefully researches this list.`` Then:

Smerconish yet again about how he views his role; 0623 `Focus on the Family`, ``one of our best programs of the year``. Anyhow, KCNZ, KBJD, and KSVE now have competition around here, and I've yet to hear the peripheral Americans, let alone the Canadians or Mexican on 1650. Unless, KYHN is just back on temporarily to avoid losing its license at a Feb 19 deadline. If they actually start programming, that will be a sign they are staying.

1650, Feb 13 at 2011 UT, I try to hear KYHN ``Fort Smith AR``, and do detect a JBA carrier in the sideband splash of 10 kW local KOAG 1640. In full day groundwave, unlikely to be from any other 1650.

1650, Feb 14 at 0055 UT check, *still/again* the same old promo for `Focus on the Family`. At 0658 UT, now it's open carrier/deadair from E/W making fast SAH with Iowa. Did the humans, if any, at KYHN finally get fed up with all the repetition? A sure way to drive away potential listeners too (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OMAN. 15560, Feb 7 at 1431, R. Oman, English, after headlines, ``news in detail`` starting with Syria; poor signal, usual het on 10 side, V. of Tibet? So best to listen on USB, but I wish they had kept this hour on 15140 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PALAU. 9965, Feb 10 at 1340, ``What a Wonderful World``, 1343 Chinese announcement, IAD, Chinese song. Nice to hear something secular from WHR transmitter, i.e. R. Australia relay at 1300-1430, 100 kW, 318 degrees from Babcock via ``HBN`` as HFCC lists it.

9930, Feb 10 at 1344, WHR ID, good signal, then 'MFC Worldwide' with Apostle Joe Perozich and Pastor Mariana Perozich. I guess the Apostle outranx the Pastor, natch considering their genders (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also SARAWAK [non]

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3345.03, NBC Northern, the Voice of Oro, 1233-1407*, Feb 10. Mostly playing slow tempo religious sounding songs; seemed to be in Tok Pisin except 1403 in English with long list of all the NBC stations, frequencies and some scheduling info; 1405 National Anthem (instrumental) followed by EZL music till off. Nice to have them back again! Thanks to Mauno Ritola (Finland), who last July measured the exact frequency via Brisbane Perseus and today I still found them slightly off frequency.

<https://www.box.com/s/7f990a21c7afc064a31e>
is a recording from last July of their ID ("This is N-B-C Northern, the Voice of Oro") and typical programming (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Received a very nice response from Christoph Ratzer (Austria) regarding my PNG posting today:

"Hello Ron, NBC Northern also after 19 UT in Salzburg. GREAT!!!
I listen since 30 years to shortwave, but today is a very special day
- thanks Ron. Many thanks! 73 Christoph"

It's good to know that NBC Northern can now be heard in Europe too!
Thanks to Christoph for his positive feedback! Ron

FYI:

<http://shortwavedxer.blogspot.com/2013/02/nbc-radio-northern-voice-of-oro-via.html>

"NBC Radio Northern - Voice of Oro, transmitting from Popondetta, Oro Province, Papua New Guinea, was logged on 10 February 2013. A broadcast in English / Hiri Motu was heard. Local music, station ID, bird chirping on the hour, followed by news and commentary was monitored from 19.45 to 20.30 UTC. Sign-on was at 19.00 UTC. Transmission was observed on 3.345 kHz. Reception (SINPO) at 19.45 UTC was 34332 -- weak signal, clearly audible, with atmospheric noise. By 20.30 UTC, reception quality worsened to 24321 -- still audible, less clarity due to increased atmospheric noise. Gradually signal dropped off by 20.40 UTC. An excerpt of this broadcast from NBC Radio Northern may be heard HERE. Reception report was emailed on the same day. Posted by T.L. Breyel at 3:51 PM"

3345.03, NBC Northern, the Voice of Oro. No transmission on Feb 11 or 12. So Feb 10 reception was a one day reactivation?

3345.03, NBC Northern, the Voice of Oro. No transmission on Feb 13, through checking till 1400 (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3365, NBC Milne Bay, 1233-1249, Feb 13. In English talking about an upcoming festival and inviting local people to participate with singing or dancing; 1332-1351 impassioned political speech mentioning iCongratulations . . . member of Parliament in the history of Papua New Guineaî; 1402 ID iN-B-C Milne Bayî with address iPost Office Box 111, Alotau, Papua New Guineaî; National Anthem till 1404*; poor to almost fair (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3385, NBC East New Britain. Off the air Feb 12. Recently has only been broadcasting erratically. Yet again off the air Feb 13 (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3905, NBC New Ireland, 1404*, Feb 12 after children singing anthem (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. Logged R. Wantok Light [sic] from New Guinea, the current offset is 40 Hertz minus: 7324.960 kHz, measured around 1423 UT Feb 11. Used the remote SDR unit in downunder Australia. Hit heavily by adjacent 7330 channel, both CRI Russian and RFA Cantonese services heard here (Wolfgang B_schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DXLD)

** PERU. 3329.5 tentative, Per', Ondas del Huallaga, Hu·nuco, 1035 with OM en espa0ol mixing with CHU notched, IF notch on 746Pro. On as early as 0940 and fades out now at 1100 as the South America season improves - 5 Feb.

3329.5 tentative, Per' Ondas del Huallaga, Hu·nuco seemingly Peru at 0000-0010, Unusual time for this station in Florida - 5 Feb (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D, Icom 746Pro, Drake R8 - 60 meter dipole - AOG, dxsf 1981-2013, Feb 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4747.2, Feb 9 at 0046, JBA carrier, presumed R. Huanta 2000, OAZ5B. It too varies, upward? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4789, Per', Radio VisiÛn, Chiclayo, 0700 to 0730, seems to be broadcasting 24 hours a day? - 5 Feb (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D, Icom 746Pro, Drake R8 - 60 meter dipole - AOG, dxsf 1981-2013, Feb 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4789.9, Feb 8 at 0618, poor signal with music, 0619 announcement with Spanish intonation, and more talk mixed with music bits, but too much CODAR QRM. Presumably R. Visiŭn, Chiclayo, which I haven't heard in ages this late, altho it used to be 24 hours. There have been several reports last few months of it as early/late as 0830, and always on this offset frequency.

4790-, Feb 9 at 0053, carrier is only slightly below 4790, much closer to 4790.0 than to 4789.9, and a log of R. Visiŭn a month ago agrees with this, 4789.97 by Pedro F. Arrun-tegui, but on Jan 26, 4789.877 by Wolfgang B,schel, so it may vary (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4810, Per', Radio Logos, Chazuta, Tarapoto, 1027 chorale vocal, usual strong signal, OM 1040, Beautiful music; favorite flauta andina station, 5 Feb (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D, Icom 746Pro, Drake R8 - 60 meter dipole - AOG, dxsf 1981-2013, Feb 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4810.029, Radio Logos, 1025-1115 Feb 9, At tune in a program of steady Spanish ballads without any IDs noted. Signal was best heard while in steady LSB mode

4810.00, Radio Logos, 2350-0010 Feb 10, Noted both a male and female in Spanish language comments. With a combination of a notch filter and careful tuning, one of the best signals I have heard from Logos since it opened on this frequency. The male in comments continues after the new day when I finally drop him at 0015 UT with a poor signal (Chuck Bolland, Clewiston FL, Excalibur, 26N 081W, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4824.49, Per', La Voz de la Selva, Iquitos noted 1030, signs on about this time each day; 3 Feb (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D, Icom 746Pro, Drake R8 - 60 meter dipole - AOG, dxsf 1981-2013, Feb 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4824.481, Very tiny La Voz de la Selva in Spanish, at 1125 UT Feb 11, hit heavily by "wiper arm" signal of CODAR 4804-4834 kHz. Heard on remote SDR unit in CA-USA (Wolfgang B,schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DXLD)

** PERU. 4835, Per', Ondas del Suroriente, Quillabamba, 0000 to 0020; 0100 marginal signal with om and yl en espanol, Not as strong as previous frequency [5120] "out in the open" - 5 Feb (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D, Icom 746Pro, Drake R8 - 60 meter dipole - AOG, dxsf 1981-2013, Feb 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 5039.22, Per', Radio Libertad de Junĭn, Junĭn, 1030 to 1110 om in Spanish with music,- 5 Feb- strong signal but blocked 0000 by

Cuba (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, (11th Province of Canada & Northernmost Province of Peru - :-)), NRD 535D, Icom 746Pro, Drake R8 - 60 meter dipole - AOG, dxsf 1981-2013, Feb 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU [and non]. 5980.0, Feb 9 at 0057, mainly weak CNR1 jammer, no Cuban noise jamming audible, but big splash from 5990 China via Cuba, which fortunately quit on time tonight by 0100:00, as I could barely hear the closing timesignal on 5980, but leaving only a JBA carrier. By 0104 it had grown a bit so I could hear some music modulation, and cut off at 0105:40*. So R. Chaski clock timer continues to lose about 5 sec each day; missed monitoring UT Feb 8, but since on Feb 7 it went off at 0105:30*, interpolating, the Feb 8 time would have been 0105:35*. At this rate, by a year from now, it'll be on until at least 0135, and in two years, 0205*

5980.0, Feb 10 at 0058, mostly CNR1 jammer in Chinese; 5990 splasher from CRI/Cuba is already off by 0059 for a change, and no noise jamming audible. After 0100 timesignal from CNR1 at closing, JBA carrier remains, no doubt R. Chaski, Urubamba, and just as expected, cuts off the air 5 seconds later than last night, at precisely 0105:45*

5980.0, Feb 11 at 0100* CNR1 jammer after timesignal, uncovering very weak music from R. Chaski, Urubamba, as usual; by 0104 it's slightly stronger, but no problem hearing exactly when the carrier cuts off: 0105:49, four sec later than last night. It may be between 4 and 5 seconds, but hard to split them on my watch to which I always apply current correction factor from WWV.

5980, Feb 12 at 0059, DentroCuban Jamming Command is infesting frequency again needlessly, atop CNR1 ChiCom jamming, whose timesignal can still be made out until 0100*, then under the noise, music is perceptible, no doubt R. Chaski, Urubamba, Cuzco. I'm back on frequency before 0105 to time exactly when carrier is cut tonight, easy to tell with BFO despite jamming noise: 0105:55*, as expected another 5 sec later than last night.

5980, Feb 13 at 0105 tune-in to carrier from R. Chaski, Urubamba, which with BFO is audible despite noise level, and just as expected tonight, it cuts off 5 seconds later than last night, at 0106:00*. From the porch it's freezing with snow on the ground, so I only stay out for six minutes.

5980.0, Feb 14 at 0055, CNR1 jammer is primary, no Cuban noise jamming audible tonight, and some other signal under. 0100 usual timesignal and CNR1 QRT, uncovering very weak, mostly musical postlude from R. Chaski, Urubamba; at 0105 recognizable tune, ``Blessed Assurance``

including fluty instrument, until carrier cut at 0106:04*, 4-5 sex later than last night. See also CUBA 5990 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

QSL: PER/, 5980, RADIO CHASKI, Correo-e. v/s Valentin Quispe H., Administrador. Informe enviado a: vaquime24 @ hotmail.com Demoro: 3 horas. Imágenes y más en: <http://dxdesdecolumbia.blogspot.com/> (Rafael Rodríguez R., Bogotá D.C. - Colombia, playdx yg via DXLD)

** PORTUGAL [and non]. Re 13-06, Sines:

> I thought, well, the lines, the antennae are gone, but not the
> txs; surely, they were sent away and sold by Pro-Funk/DW.
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> My assumption couldn't be more wrong! The three beasts _plus_
> the expensive test equipment, anything you can possibly imagine
> was destroyed while still in the house and taken away as scrap!!!
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> In sum, a "good, reasonable" end to property paid with German
> taxpayers' money.

How much remaining value have shortwave transmitters installed in 2000? Enough to make this a matter that should be brought to the attention of Bundesrechnungshof, an institution similar to, as an example, the GAO in the USA?

And this raises the question what became of the Bonaire transmitters when this site was recently demolished, too. I would not bet that this equipment still exists...

> When the RTP & DW/Pro-Funk met, there were already rumors within DW,
> that Pro-Funk Sines would possibly close or then sold to a foreign
> station (I won't disclose the name for now), a possibility that was
> ruled out by the Portuguese authorities which didn't want to keep
> the station either.
>
> Now, any ideas of which foreign station it might be?

Would there be any other idea than the Chinese?? For a last glimpse:
<http://www.deutsches-drm-forum.de/html/sender-kurzwelle.html>
(Kai Ludwig, Feb 9, shortwavesites yg via DXLD)

Kaj, It is only too easy for gov. people to "play around" with taxpayers's money, and the inevitable, cynical reaction is typically "it was the cheapest alternative."

As to the "mystery", no, not the Chinese. I did think that too, but my contact said otherwise. They were approached by another international

broadcaster, let's say, westwards of China.

I don't know how relays work in other countries, for instance DW in Ceylon, were they operating there directly or via a company established in the country for that specific purpose?

In my country, RARET was *only* allowed to install a site (on government property) because of their aim, i.e. anti-eastern block, nothing else. I am pretty sure they wouldn't be allowed in for a mere relay, say, of the VoA.

DW was allowed in via a company, RTE, later Pro-Funk, surely because of co-operation between Germany and Portugal re military equipment - this is my strong belief.

As you see, two relays, two companies that had to be established first. Stemming from this, and despite a different régime, foreign stations are not allowed here which is why Pro-Funk even wanted to donate the site to the Portuguese government. 73, (Carlos Gonçalves, Portugal, Feb 10, ibid.)

** RUSSIA. Additional frequency of Voice of Russia in Kurdish:
1500-1600 on 1089, UNIDentified transmitter site to N/ME. Very strong signal in Sofia

Additional frequencies of Voice of Russia in Arabic:
1600-2100 on 1089 UNIDentified tx site to N/ME. Very strong in Sofia
1900-2000 on 11985 ERV 500 kW / 192 deg to EaAf. Poor to fair signal in Sofia -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, Feb 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

1089: Why unID transmitter site? Any indications that it is something else than long-established Tbilisskaya? Unusually high signal strength, probably indicating a modified antenna set-up? (Kai Ludwig, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

This is Armavir (Krasnodar Krai), 1200 kW. Arabic and Kurdish services were put here on January 1 instead of Russian broadcasts (Ivo Ivanov, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Of the B-12 part-A schedule, 28 Oct til 31 Dec 2012, Voice of Russia:
1089 Armavir Tbilisskaya 1200 kW to NE/ME, CIS/Caucasus, UKR/MDA.

In past seasons produced often intermodulation products on Tbilisskaya site on amateur radio band frequency on 7009 kHz, i.e. 1089 + 5920 kHz = 7009 kHz. 73 wb df5sx (Wolfgang B,schel, ibid.)

** RUSSIA. 5930, R. Rossii-Kamchatka, Feb 11 0710-0715, 45444,

Russian, ID at 0710, News, Local program (Kouji Hashimoto, Japan, RX and ANT: IC-R75+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-525+RD-9830+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-515+35m Long Wire, NRD-345+35m Long Wire, Satellite 750+30m Long Wire DE-1130, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA [and non]. 5940, Feb 12 at 0642, Russian from R. Rossii, Magadan, poor vs LAH from Brasil always off-frequency, // 5930 Pet/Kam clear but a few words ahead of it. These two are never in synch tho you'd think they would take the same satellite feed from Moskva as they are on the same timezone.

Intervening 5935 WWCW DGS very weak, so no problem at the moment unlike many nights; the other Tennesseans around 6 MHz also degraded, 5890, 5830, while 4840 is still inbooming below the 1-megameter MUF, like 3215 and 3185 always are (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. Voice of Russia reports that it has got its programme in Spanish "Rinc n DX" Sundays at 0100 UT, Thursdays 0000, 0200, and 0400 UT to Latin America. Thursdays at 2000 UT to Spain / Europe.

QRGs: 9395 kHz - Yerevan Gavar Armenia, 9750 kHz - Yerevan Gavar Armenia. Schedule 0000-0500 UT. 9480 kHz - Dushanbe-TJK 500 SoAM at 0200-0500 UT only. [but B-12 9865-Samara, 7210-Moscow, 6135-St. Petersburg deleted already on Dec 31, 2012 !].

On Thurs at 2000-2100 UT 6000 kHz in DRM mode:
6000 DRM ch#2A Moscow 40kW EUR, Iberian peninsula.
http://spanish.ruvr.ru/spa_schedule/
Spanish e-mail address is [sic, suppressed]:
FM Emisiones para Buenos Aires local.

Also in Portuguese - its programme "Onda DX" (quarta feira).
Weds 2100-2200 UT 6000 kHz in DRM mode
6000 DRM ch#2A Moscow 40 kW EUR, Iberian peninsula.
Weds 2200-2400 UT 9750 kHz Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 kW SoAM
<http://portuguese.ruvr.ru/horario/>
Their e-mail address is [sic]:

73 - cordially yours, Sergey M. Izyumov from Moscow Russia.
(via wwdxc HQ - BC-DX TopNews Feb 9 via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. The communications Ministry. News.

The Ministry of communications will support the old radio. The company is not profitable to maintain a network of powerful radio broadcasting. The Ministry of communications invites the state Fund powerful radio broadcasting. Earlier it was planned that the Federal state unitary enterprise 'Russian television and broadcasting network^a (RTRS) will

receive subsidies for modernization of a network of powerful broadcasting and on creation of government networks of local digital broadcasting in the FM range.

These items were excluded from the Federal target program, with the result that only in 2012 loss RTRS from the operation of the network has exceeded 1 billion rubles. In 2013 the company may be short of 2.5 billion rubles, write 'Izvestiya^a. VGTRK has decided to abandon the broadcast of its programs in MW and LW-the range from 1 January 2013. A similar decision was adopted, and the radio station 'Voice of Russia^a. Now they can be heard in the cities, where the RTRS is FM and VHF transmitters.

In a letter to the Deputy Prime Minister Vladislav Surkov the Ministry of communications has proposed to resume financing of signal propagation in the medium and long waves. In addition, the Ministry considers it necessary to compensate for part of the cost of RTRS the operation of a network of powerful radio broadcasting. Budgetary funds will share all the interested ministries: the Ministry of defense, Ministry of emergency situations, Roshydromet, Ministry of foreign Affairs and others. From 2014 possible resumption of the budgetary financing for all costs associated with the powerful radio.

The Minister for communications Nikolai Nikiforov notes that the powerful radio is not only intended for broadcasting of the public radio stations. Military use this network for electronic warfare, passive radiolocation, Ministry of emergency situations - for alerting the public about emergency situations.

However, at the present time the equipment of the powerful radio broadcasting much worn, and its content is expensive. In addition, the majority of listeners of Russia only use the FM-range, and radio company does not intend to pay for the maintenance and servicing of the outdated network with a view to commercial broadcasting. sostav.ru (OnAir.ru as translated attempted, via RusDX via DXLD)

**** RUSSIA [and non]. THE COUNTER-INTELLIGENCE SERVICE OF THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE OF THE USA INTERESTED IN THE 'VOICE OF RUSSIA^a**

The division of counter-intelligence of the Ministry of justice of the United States checks LLC RM Broadcasting, carrying out broadcasting of radio 'Voice of Russia^a on the territory of the country. According to the newspaper 'Izvestia^a, the Ministry sent an official request to the owner of the company Arnold Ferolito.

In the request counterintelligence asked the partners of the 'Voice of Russia^a to provide a description of the activity or of services rendered to Russia, other foreign state or organization. Also the

Ministry of justice requested a copy of the existing and planned agreements of the company with the Russian radio station.

The newspaper notes that if the suspicions about the work of the RM Broadcasting in Russia is confirmed, the company will have to pass re-registration and obtain the status of a 'foreign agent'.

Chair of the 'Voice of Russia' Andrey Bystritskii told the publication that the radio is working with the American company on the standard contract, the analogues of which are valid and in other countries. The RIA Novosti Agency, Bystritskii declared, that does not fear inspections. According to him, the radio does not violate anything, and the American authorities have the --- lenta.ru (OnAir.ru via RusDX via DXLD)

** SAAR. 183 kHz, Germany, Europe 1, Saarbruecken, 2340 to 2350 YL in French, good signal using sixty meter inverted-V dipole and AOG, 5 Feb (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, dxsf 1981-2013, Feb 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAINT HELENA. Just reading thru the latest DXLD here at the station and came across this:

"Mike Olsson (i.e. SHBC) has the Independent newspaper and has closed SaintFM along with its live audio stream in Internet."

Given how awful the internet has reportedly been in St. Helena, how was he able to get any reliable stream to work from there? Take care! (Eric Loy, IL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAINT VINCENT & THE GRENADINES. Amigos, hoje recebi mais uma confirmação, o QSL de uma FM caribenha. Recebi eQSL da WE FM, 99.9 MHz, Saint Vincent & The Grenadines. O problema de se enviar informes de recepção por e-mail a emissoras de FM, por exemplo, É que há um grande risco de receber também somente um e-mail de agradecimento.

Foi o que aconteceu com a WE FM. Acho que ao mesmo tempo que a emissora em seu e-mail me agradece pelo informe de recepção enviado, confirma ao menos de forma indireta a escuta.

Eles falam em eu ter ficado impressionado com a transmissão deles. De fato fiquei impressionado não só com a transmissão, mas também com a qualidade com que o sinal da emissora chegou até aqui.

Postei um vídeo da WE FM. O link para o vídeo É:
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ka76SxwJpmE>

Também postei um vídeo da Star FM, 98.3 MHz. O link para o vídeo É:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WjVPY3EjGrg>

Dei uma melhorada no eQSL colocando um logotipo da WE FM e o mapa de Saint Vincent & The Grenadines, para não ficar sem graça. Também coloquei os dados da escuta (dia da escuta, horário da escuta e frequência da WE FM). Existe também uma Star FM em 98.3 MHz, mas em Kingstown, Saint Vincent & The Grenadines. Nem achei o site dela. Penso ter ouvido mesmo a Star FM de Anguilla.

A imagem do eQSL já está em meu blog:

<http://www.dxreunion-br.blogspot.com.br>

73! Rubens Ferraz Pedroso (PY5-007 SWL), Bandeirantes - PR

99.9 WE FM - Kingstown - SVG - Recebido eQSL sem os dados da escuta. Algumas horas. V/S: ???. Informe enviado por e-mail: wefm@vincysurf.com Site da emissora: <http://www.99wefm.com> QTH: WeFM, PO Box 1346, Kingstown, St. Vincent (Rubens Ferraz Pedroso; Bandxeirantes [sic] - PR - Brasil. Radioescutas yg via DXLD) Trans-Equatorial Scatter (gh)

** SAIPAN. 9705, VOA Cantonese, checked again Feb 7 at 1451: now I am hearing nothing but noise sounding suspiciously like DRM. Saipan totally out of whack again, or jamming?

9705, Feb 8 at 1350, VOA Cantonese transmitter sounds back in whack today, with some propagational flutter but no obvious jamming (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SARAWAK [non]. Radio Free Sarawak on 9900

Information provided by Rob Wagner in Cumbre on Facebook:

"After a series of test transmissions on 9900 kHz, Radio Free Sarawak have just announced that their daily transmissions will now be permanent on that frequency from today Feb 10, for what is believed to be a one hour broadcast from 1100. Regards Rob VK3BVW"

73 (via Jorge Freitas, Brasil, 1136 UT Feb 9, dxldyg via DXLD)

IMPORTANT: Our frequency is changing to 9900 kHz, 7-9 pm says website <http://www.radiofreesarawak.org> so it's two hours (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Time and frequency change of R Free Sarawak in Iban: 1100-1300 NF 9900 UNIDentified tx site to SEAs but no transmission on Feb. 10 & 11!! 1000-1200 on 15425 HBN 100 kW / 270 deg to SEAs till Feb. 9 (DX RE MIX NEWS #767 from Georgi Bancov & Ivo Ivanov, Mon, Feb. 11, as of Feb 13, 2013, dxldyg via DXLD)

9900, Feb 10 at 1108 and at 1253, zero signals, not even a carrier from R. Free Sarawak, which publicized this as their new frequency at 11-13 UT from today, as at <http://radiofreesarawak.org>

``IMPORTANT: Our frequency is changing to 9900 kHz, 7-9 pm
February 10, 2013: Letís usher in a new era in politics, too!
No comments Podcast: Download (Duration: 2:00:07 ó 110.0MB) | Embed

Happy New Lunar Year! As usual, we have lined up recent must-listen interviews today, coming on after a sermon from Pastor Greman first. However, itís not quite all business as usual. Today is another milestone in RFS history as it marks our first show at a new frequency and time ñ 9900 kHz on shortwave from 7-9 pm. Hereís hoping the bad reception problems we had faced with the old frequency are a thing of the past. We know how much our listeners are depending on us for information that the BN-controlled mainstream media want to suppress to further their corrupt ends. So take a leaf from us ñ out with the problematic old government and in with the promising new government! Radio Free Sarawak 1900-2100 localtime 1100-1300 UTC SW 9900 kHz daily``

Maybe tomorrow? Site is still unknown, but PALAU, formerly used on 15420/15425, and plenty of other Asian signals were audible at these times on 31m. Wolfgang B,schel and Jorge Freitas report 9900 was also inaudible in Europe (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

9900, 15425, 10/Feb 1100-1142 PALAU (Relay), R Free Sarawak in Iban. No signal in my QTH, also no signal on 15425. In remote radio from Twente, appeared a JBA carrier very weak at 1133, but disappeared seconds later and at 1142 no signal. 73 (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana Bahia, ibid.)

PALAU, 9960, Khmer opposite radio in Cambodian, S=8 signal on remote unit in Japan at 1240 UT. But NO TRACE of 9900 Sarawak opposite target radio program. 73 wb (Wolfgang B,schel, Feb 10, ibid.)

NO TRACE of 9900 kHz Sarawak opposite target radio program, negative on remote unit posts in Japan and Europe too (Wolfgang B,schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews circa 1200 UT Febr 10, dxldyg via DXLD)

9900, Feb 11 at 1152, 1208, 1220, still not a trace of R. Free Sarawak, allegedly moved here at 11-13 UT. Website <http://radiofreesarawak.org/> is updated every day to present the latest podcast, but nothing shown about missing SW transmissions, still headed ``IMPORTANT: Our frequency is changing to 9900 kHz, 7-9pm``. That must mean ``is`` in progress of making change but not yet implemented for some reason. Again plenty of signals from Asia and

Pacific on 9 MHz. Wolfgang B, schel and Ivo Ivanov agree 9900 was still not on air today (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WRN tell me that since Sunday it has in fact been on 11600 at 1100-1300. There was some miscommunication that resulted in 9900 being promoted. And as of 2225 UT Feb 11, the website has been changed to read 11600 (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11600, 12/Feb 1049-1140, UNID with a transmission of the signal with several interruptions. There is modulation of an Arabic music. At 1050 I hear the talk of OM, seems to be Arabic. Everything indicates that is Radio Libya. If is the Radio Libya, the really long choice of Radio Free Sarawak could not be worse, of course, from my point of listening. Also may be a transmission test.

At 1059 one continuous carrier. At 1100 the beginning of the transmission of Radio Free Sarawak with talk of OM, with echo modulation. The transmission interrupted can still be heard and seen in the graph of SDR from Twente. Good signal with moderate QRM of the transmission interrupted and noises. In my QTH a transmission is good, without noise, and QRM of the transmission interrupted. End of transmission at 1259. In my QTH the signal degenerated much, the last 20 minutes of the transmission. Degenerated somewhat in SDR from Twente. 73 (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, 12 14ZS 38 58W - Brasil, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WRN informed us Feb 11 that the new R. Free Sarawak frequency is axually 11600 where it started Feb 10 for the 11-13 UT broadcast; a miscommunication caused RFS to claim it was 9900, and by now their own website had been changed to show 11600.

So we try 11600 on Feb 12 at 1100: only JBA carrier; recheck 1239 has improved a bit to very poor with some music, 1244 talk, 1255 music, 1257 open carrier, 1258 off. At these hours there were little besides N American signals on 25 m.

Jorge Freitas in Brasil and also via Netherlands remote was hearing Arabic on 11600 at 1050 and feared RFS would be overlapping with Libya (which is not in HFCC, easily overlooked by frequency planners), but he was hearing RFS well after 1100.

Transmitter site is still not being released, altho latest HFCC shows BULGARIA registered 11600 for possible DRM use anytime from 03 to 22 UT. But Ivo Ivanov in Sofia says, ``Very weak signal in Sofia, very strong in Jakarta, Manila, Singapore and Hong Kong. My assumption of the transmitter site is Trincomalee [SRI LANKA] at 60 degrees`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

Time and frequency change of Radio Free Sarawak in Iban: 1100-1258 NF 11600 UNIDentified tx to SEAs, instead of the announced 9900. Very weak signal in Sofia, very strong in Jakarta, Manila, Singapore and Hong Kong. My assumption of the transmitter site is Trincomalee at 60 degrees -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Good Evening all, As you may be aware, Ivo Ivanov from Radio Bulgaria has advised that Radio Free Sarawak has again changed the time and frequency of its broadcast in Iban and is now heard on 11600 between 1100 and 1258 instead of the previously tested and announced 9900. Ivo also speculates that this broadcast is originating from the Trincomalee transmitting station in SRI LANKA. I monitored the broadcast from 1150 to 1220 this evening and enjoyed superb armchair reception here in the Philippines. I was receiving an S9+30 signal in the clear; no noise, interference or propagational fading was noted. Certainly can't confirm the transmitting site, but it well could be Trincomalee. Regards, (T.C. (Ted) Patterson, KDØJJØ/DU7, Cebu, Philippines, Feb 13, NASWA yg via DXLD)

Site unknown: 11600, R. Free Sarawak, Feb 12 1110-1144, 35333-35433, Iban, Talk, ID at 1137. Schedule at UT 1100-1300 11600 kHz (via HP) (Kouji Hashimoto, Japan, RX and ANT: IC-R75+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-525+RD-9830+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-515+35m Long Wire, NRD-345+35m Long Wire, Satellite 750+30m Long Wire DE-1130, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SARAWAK [non]. 15360, R. Free Kenyalang via Palau, Feb 11 *0900-0906, 35433, Iban, 0900 sign on with opening music, ID and opening announce, Talk (Kouji Hashimoto, Japan, RX and ANT: IC-R75+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-525+RD-9830+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-515+35m Long Wire, NRD-345+35m Long Wire, Satellite 750+30m Long Wire DE-1130, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

And maybe more Sarawak clandestines to come as the pending election approaches (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAUDI ARABIA. 21505, Feb 7 at 1439, BSKSA in Arabic, with self-imposed crackle and some hum, while the carrier itself is OK. 21505, Feb 10 at 1413, BSKSA ID mixed with bad humbuzz/whine.

15435, Feb 10 at 1504, awful buzz-hum is atop Arabic modulation, probably same transmitter (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

21505, 11/Feb 1420, R Riyadh in Arabic. YL talk. Weak signal on my Degen. Fair on radio from Twente. Still mixed with bad humbuzz/whine, as mentioned by Glenn.

15435, 11/Feb 1450, R Riyadh in Arabic. With buzz-hum. Leaves the air shortly after, back at 1458, still buzz-hum. Only JBA in my Degen and good signal in SDR from Twente (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, 12 14YS 38 58W - Brasil, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOMALIA [non]. 11615, Feb 9 at 1903, good signal with HoA music. HFCC says it's Babcock in Somali at 1830-1930, 300 kW, 122 degrees from Woofferton, but what? A drawback of HFCC not giving us the real name of stations, just the transmission provider. For that we go to Aoki: R. Damal (V. of Somali People) (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOMALIA [non]. 15700, R. Damal via UAE, Feb 06 0441-0451, 35433, Somali, Somali pop and talk, ID at 0445 and 0447 (Kouji Hashimoto, Japan, RX and ANT: IC-R75+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-525+RD-9830+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-515+35m Long Wire, NRD-345+35m Long Wire, Satellite 750+30m Long Wire DE-1130, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOMALILAND. 7120, 1750-1800 10.02, R Hargeisa, Hargeisa, Somali talk 35232 (RadioJet 35343) Best 73, (Anker Petersen, Denmark, comparative loggings on my new PC-driven DX-receiver, the RadioJet 1102S from the German firm Bonito, and my traditional AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire. When the QRK-value was different on the two receivers, it is mentioned, playdx yg via DXLD)

** SOUTH AFRICA. Soon I hope to be broadcasting 54 kW of power on 603 kHz medium wave. Brand new station in Natal, South Africa, Any advice on a rapid MW transmitter installation will be most welcome (Mark Williams, 10 de febrero de 2013, 11:07
http://www.facebook.com/n/?profile.php&id=530524103&mid=781a72dG5af3bed21b8dG3b763f5G96&bcode=1.1360505343.AbkTm94qTL0BNIAu&n_m=saguillar%40hotmail.com
via JosÉ Kucher, Argentina, condiglista yg via DXLD)

** SRI LANKA. 9770, 12/Feb 0247, SLBC in English. OM talk, at 0248 music. At 0248 ID by OM. Weak signal in SDR from Twente, NL. At 0250 old American music. In the graph of SDR is a frequency deviation, and better reception on 9770.25 (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, 12 14YS 38 58W - Brasil, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

If you want a QSL from SLBC Ekala you will have to do so before the first of April, as plans are afoot to close down Ekala if the Trinco station gets the power from the National Grid as planned before the end of the B12 season. So while the going is good, do it. Trinco will run at 125 kW replacing the Ekala service. The 0930-1215 service to Kerala will move the MW 1125 kHz instead of SW from Ekala. Trincomalee

now runs on Diesel generators which are very expensive to run, unless the station is at full capacity. Thus the move to get power from the local grid.

Ekala Sked as of now:

0012-0330 7190(10 kW)/11905(35 kW) Hindi to Asia, English news 0215, 0930-1215 6005(10 kW)/11905(35 kW) vernaculars to South India. 0125-0300 (Sun 0500) 6005(10 kW)/9770(10 kW)/15745(35 kW) English to Asia. All above from Ekala (Victor Goonetilleke, Sri Lanka, Feb 12, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

So, Victor, what is the best way to get a QSL from the SLBC? I have been trying for well over five years now, and despite the costs of airmail and return postage and dozens of emails, I have yet to receive a response. Are you aware of any tips or hints one can use? Thanks, (Al Muick, Whitehall PA USA, ibid.)

If you had problems with SLBC, please e-mail your report to me and I will get the QSL for you. Such a pity that you have had problems. Regards (Victor, ibid.)

If I'm not mistaken, Ekala has some of the oldest SW transmitters still in operation anywhere. I recall one DXer in DXLD a few years ago saying that one of the units had gone on the air in 1941. Does anyone have specifics? (Steve Luce, Houston, Texas, ibid.)

6004.79, 10/2 0144, SLBC, Ekala, Sri Lanka, talks in English, weak. Ciao (Giampiero Bernardini, Excalibur Pro, SDR-IQ, FunCube Pro Plus, Icom R7100, Loop Wellbrook LFL 1010, MaxiWhip con balun 1:32 e 1:40 by A. Capra, <http://radiodxsw.blogspot.it/> Feb 13, playdx yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DXLD)

** SRI LANKA. 15480, Feb 10 at 1450, YL in Chinese, good signal with flutter. HFCC, Aoki and EiBi all agree this is AWR via Trincomalee, 250 kW, 5 degrees at 1330-1500. I would have guessed Wertachtal, Germany instead, like BVBN on 15470 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Dear Glenn, may I inform time slot 1300-1500 of 15480 via TRM 250 kW as per AWR Short Wave Broadcast Schedule version 04/2012:

1300-1330 Uighur to W-China Sat, Sun

1300-1330 Mandarin to W-China, Mon-Fri

1330-1500 Mandarin to W-China daily

Regards, (Tony Ashar, Indonesia, Feb 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SRI LANKA [non]. 2/2/13, 11550, V of Tigers, 1557 with Tamil songs, in between short talks by OM; S5 34232, better QSN + 2. Sporadic QRM by VOK on 11545. 1600 with a hymn-like song, then voice-overs

(Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN [non]. 13720, Sudan R. Service via UAE, Feb 06 0432-0441, 35443 Arabic, Talk, ID at 0437 and 0440 and 0441.

13799.95, R. Tamazuji via UAE, Feb 06 0410-0418, 35343, Arabic, Talk, ID at 0410 and 0413 (Kouji Hashimoto, Japan, RX and ANT: IC-R75+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-525+RD-9830+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-515+35m Long Wire, NRD-345+35m Long Wire, Satellite 750+30m Long Wire DE-1130, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

2 Feb, 15535 (34423 S5) // 13800 (45544 S10), Dabanga, 1607 with phone ins. ID at 1616, Radio Dabanga mukadeem. 15535 has a delay of ca 30+ seconds. Several power outs on 13800 (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST) 15535 = Vatican; 13800 = Madagascar (gh)

** SURINAME. 4989.988, R Apintie, Paramaribo (Wolfgang B.schel, circa 0620-0745 UT Feb 7, eastern coast remote SDR stations in MA / NY, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TAIWAN. 9745, 8/2 1500, Han Sheng, Voice of Kuanghua, Taiwan, Chinese, talks, songs, web address, good. Ciao (Giampiero Bernardini, Excalibur Pro, SDR-IQ, FunCube Pro Plus, Icom R7100, Loop Wellbrook LFL 1010, MaxiWhip con balun 1:32 e 1:40 by A. Capra, <http://radiodxsw.blogspot.it/> Feb 13, playdx yg via DXLD)

** TAIWAN. 11605.102, RTI in Japanese, ID at 0820 and 0825 UT Feb 10, S=9+25dB heard on remote unit in Tokyo. Transmission via Tainan site. Contain also some 100 Hertz buzz signals adjacent either side.

6240.006, YFR Family Radio in Mandarin via Bau Jong-TWN relay, but discussed also Corinthian chapter in English lessons. YFR ID trumpet at 1217 UT Feb 11. S=9+15dB signal sidelobe in Nara-JPN.

9734.986, R Taiwan International in Japanese via Tainan site, many IDs at 1305 UT Feb 11. Report on Taiwanese on NY festival. S=9+15dB signal sidelobe in Nara-JPN.

11624.568, R Taiwan International in Amoy-Hokkein Chinese via Bau Jong site at 1325 UT on Feb 11, S=8-9 and annoying CNR even {jamming} program.

11640.013, CBSC, R Taiwan International in Mandarin Chinese via Kouhu site at 1330 UT on Feb 11.

9624.906, CBSC, R Taiwan Internat in Vietnamese language started at 1400 UT Feb 11, at low signal level heard in downunder Australia remote unit. S=6 level only (Wolfgang B.schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews ,

dxldyg via DXLD)

** THAILAND. 9950, Radio Thailand external service in English read a resolution report of UN HQ New York to protect young 15 years old girls from child marriage under 18. At 1412 UT Feb 11. Service towards PHL, MLA, SNG and greater southern Pacific isles area (Wolfgang B, schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DXLD) On a remote receiver, Japan?

** THAILAND. Bangkok Meteorological Radio, HSW, 8743-USB: 2010 I used e-mail tmd @ metnet.tmd.go.th and got nice QSL-folder etc by snail-mail. Printed address on the envelope:

Telecommunications and Information Technology Bureau

Thai Meteorological Department

4353 Sukhumvit Road, Bangna

Bangkok 10260

THAILAND

73, (Jari Savolainen, Finland, Feb 7, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TIBET [non]. V. of Tibet from unknown site: see UNIDENTIFIED 7414/3

** TUNISIA [and non]. 17735, Feb 13 at 2001 after hearing no DRM around 17875, I realize I am not hearing any AM either on the 16m band --- until I turn on the BFO and detect a JBA carrier here, presumably IWT for another few minutes, and another on 17755, presumably SPAIN. That's it --- during this hour, no one at all, west of Eurafrica is even attempting to broadcast on 17 MHz. A self-imposed blackout (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TURKEY. 17755, Feb 10 at 1311, Stimme der T, rkei German service is again sufficient far beyond target if not skipping over Germany, as they are playing their mandatory time-filler, multilingual ID string, now with different background music, sounds minimalist like Glass. I guess this is to impress us that VOT broadcasts in so many languages (21 in WRTH), and it's fun for the experienced SWL to try to identify each one, but it would be much more useful if each were identified in English, either in the spot or in some website reference, in the order played. It's the several Turkic languages that are hard for us to sort out. 1313 Sunday on to 'T, rkisch im Rundfunk' i.e. language lessons. Seems it's been a long time, if ever, since they did this in English (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Let's Learn Turkish is aired in the Voice of Turkey broadcasts on Tuesday, Friday and Sunday. The Question of the Month has finally been updated on air and in their website for February 2013 for anyone wishing to enter (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non]. 15350, Feb 12 at 1337 can't enjoy the VOT Turkish music because of splatter from 15340 RHC. Re my previous comment about no language lessons in English, Alan Roe replies: ``Let's Learn Turkish is aired in the Voice of Turkey broadcasts on Tuesday, Friday and Sunday.`` Which reminds me, I have not yet received VOT's first-semester 2013 program schedule folder, which usually arrives in the p-mail sometime in February (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

**** TURKEY.** Winter B-12 SW schedule for Voice of Turkey:

0100-0255	on	6000	EMR	500	kW	/	072	deg	to	CeAs	Turkish
0200-0255	on	9410	EMR	500	kW	/	252	deg	to	SoAm	Spanish
0200-0255	on	9650	EMR	500	kW	/	290	deg	to	CeAm	Spanish
0300-0355	on	9460	EMR	500	kW	/	072	deg	to	CeAs	Uyghur
0400-0455	on	7240	EMR	500	kW	/	138	deg	to	N/ME	English
0400-0455	on	9655	EMR	500	kW	/	335	deg	to	NoAm	English
0500-0655	on	9700	EMR	500	kW	/	310	deg	to	WeEu	Turkish
0500-0655	on	9820	EMR	250	kW	/	138	deg	to	N/ME	Turkish
0700-0955	on	11925	EMR	500	kW	/	097	deg	to	WeAs	Turkish
0700-0955	on	15350	EMR	500	kW	/	310	deg	to	WeEu	Turkish
0700-0955	on	15480	EMR	500	kW	/	120	deg	to	WeAs	Turkish
0800-0855	on	11835	EMR	250	kW	/	072	deg	to	CeAs	Azeri
0930-1055	on	11795	EMR	500	kW	/	105	deg	to	WeAs	Persian
1000-1055	on	11955	EMR	500	kW	/	210	deg	to	NEAf	Arabic
1000-1255	on	15350	EMR	500	kW	/	310	deg	to	WeEu	Turkish
1000-1255	on	15480	EMR	500	kW	/	120	deg	to	WeAs	Turkish
1100-1125	on	15360	EMR	500	kW	/	032	deg	to	EaEu	Tatar
1100-1155	on	9840	EMR	250	kW	/	072	deg	to	CeAs	Georgian
1130-1155	on	13625	EMR	500	kW	/	072	deg	to	CeAs	Uzbek
1200-1225	on	7245	EMR	250	kW	/	290	deg	to	SEEu	Bulgarian
1200-1255	on	11805	EMR	500	kW	/	072	deg	to	EaAs	Chinese
1230-1325	on	17755	EMR	500	kW	/	310	deg	to	WeEu	German
1300-1325	on	11965	EMR	250	kW	/	072	deg	to	CeAs	Turkmen
1300-1355	on	11985	EMR	500	kW	/	092	deg	to	SoAs	Urdu
1300-1355	on	15350	EMR	500	kW	/	310	deg	to	WeEu	Turkish
1330-1425	on	12035	EMR	500	kW	/	310	deg	to	WeEu	English
1330-1425	on	13685	EMR	500	kW	/	072	deg	to	CeAs	Uyghur
1400-1455	on	9410	EMR	250	kW	/	020	deg	to	EaEu	Russian
1400-1655	on	11815	EMR	250	kW	/	300	deg	to	WeEu	Turkish
1430-1455	on	9785	EMR	500	kW	/	062	deg	to	CeAs	Kazakh
1500-1525	on	6185	EMR	500	kW	/	290	deg	to	SEEu	Italian
1500-1555	on	9665	EMR	250	kW	/	150	deg	to	N/ME	Arabic
1500-1555	on	15200	EMR	500	kW	/	252	deg	to	NWAF	Arabic
1600-1625	on	11680	EMR	250	kW	/	092	deg	to	WeAs	Dari
1600-1655	on	9530	EMR	500	kW	/	105	deg	to	WeAs	Persian
1630-1725	on	5965	EMR	500	kW	/	090	deg	to	WeAs	Azeri
1630-1725	on	11680	EMR	250	kW	/	092	deg	to	WeAs	Pashto
1700-1725	on	11680	EMR	250	kW	/	092	deg	to	WeAs	Uzbek
1700-2155	on	5980	EMR	250	kW	/	310	deg	to	WeEu	Turkish

1700-2155 on 6120 EMR 500 kW / 150 deg to N/ME Turkish
1730-1825 on 9495 EMR 250 kW / 270 deg to SoEu Spanish
1730-1825 on 11730 EMR 500 kW / 105 deg to SoAs English
1830-1925 on 7205 EMR 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu German
1930-2025 on 6050 EMR 250 kW / 290 deg to WeEu English
2030-2125 on 5970 EMR 500 kW / 290 deg to WeEu French
2030-2125 on 6050 EMR 500 kW / 247 deg to NWAf French
2130-2225 on 9610 EMR 500 kW / 105 deg to SEAs English
2300-2355 on 5960 EMR 500 kW / 310 deg to NoAm English
(DX RE MIX NEWS #767 from Georgi Bancov & Ivo Ivanov, Mon, Feb. 11, as
of Feb 13, 2013, dxldyg via DXLD)

** UKRAINE. Ukrainian state broadcasting faces drastic cuts

On 06.02.2013, at 22:50, Aleksandr Diadischev wrote:

``On February 5, ALL transmitters carrying state national and regional
channels in the low FM band (64-72 MHz) were switched off``

Here in Northern Romania the only Ukrainian FM station in the OIRT
band I can still receive is Radio Bukovyna on 67.97 MHz (Tudor
Vedeanu, (Gura Humorului, Romania), Feb 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING
DIGEST)

** UKRAINE. THE NATIONAL RADIO COMPANY HAS NO RIGHT TO IGNORE THE
INTERESTS OF THE AUDIENCE, ESPECIALLY WHEN VIOLATED THE TERMS OF THE
LICENCES

On February 5, 2013 unprecedented in the history of independent
Ukraine event at the initiative of the National radio company of
Ukraine stopped the broadcasting of the VHF transmitters of all its
three channels without prior announcement and measures. Without the
information remained before the unprotected layers of the population
in remote regions of Ukraine. This is especially dangerous on the eve
of the potential of the spring flood, when the radio is the only
warning system in case of emergency. The General Director of the
national radio company of Ukraine Taras Avrakhov explained his
decision to lack of funds.

The national Council has always understood the system of national and
regional television and radio companies of a single, able to cover
their signal the entire territory of Ukraine, and in recent years
special attention has been paid to it.

The problem with the financing of public service broadcasters have
always been. Shortage of funds for the renewal of equipment,
production of modern software product, the payment of the signal
propagation. But the solution of the main task - to inform the

population on the whole territory of Ukraine - has never been questioned. And here is what happened. One comment from the Internet:

<< In the years of the war, the radio said. Now - silent >>.

The national Council of Ukraine on television and radio broadcasting has repeatedly appealed to the National radio company of Ukraine with a request to develop a comprehensive program of modernization of its networks with the need to cover 100% of the territory of Ukraine for the decision of tasks of national security, relying on the world experience in this sphere. Such a program, among other things, would help to optimize and expenses on the maintenance of networks of broadcasting. But the national radio company demanded in the national Council of the FM frequency for construction of networks of broadcasting on the replacement of the existing. This path is incorrect.

To cover the territory of Ukraine FM-broadcasting need hundreds of transmitters, for which there is no frequency resource, or of the budget funds, which was confirmed by the events of the past days.

<< There is enough money only for a few FM transmitters >>, - said Taras Avrakhov.

A short-sighted policy of the leadership of the National radio company of Ukraine led to the crisis of not only the company, but also its partners - the regional TV and radio companies, which work together with the national radio company of Ukraine.

The national Council of the meeting, on 6 February, having heard the information of the Ivano-Frankivsk and Cherkassy OGTRK, expressed support for their efforts to strict compliance with the tasks put before them by the state, and refrained from imposing penalties for violating the terms of the licenses. The regulatory authority is closely monitoring the events and is ready to provide all possible assistance to public broadcasters.

The national Council calls on the national radio company of Ukraine to urgently resume broadcasting and is ready, together with the national radio company of Ukraine and the Committee and find ways out of the crisis." From: <http://www.nrada.gov.ua/ua/news/radanews/18164.html> (via Alexander Egorov, Kiev, Ukraine / ideneb-radio-dxî & iopen_dxî via RusDX via DXLD)

** U K. Test transmission --- auf 3955 kHz l%uft eine "Test transmission" von Babcock, interessanterweise wurde gerade sogar eine Email-Addy genannt, wo man sich melden solle.
"testtransmission@gmail.com" RR reports address?

(Stephan Schaa, Germany, Feb 7, A-DX via Wolfgang B,schel, DXLD)

Today Feb 7th around 11 UT heard a Babcock test transmission on 75 mb 3955 kHz in AM and later also on 'empty DRM' mode. Maybe a test from new Woofferton 75 mb antenna?

Which is via Woofferton from A-13 season March 31 onwards.
3955 0400-0600 27S,28W,37N WOF 100kW 114deg English DRM Mix
3955 2000-2130 28NW WOF 250 114 Ge,En KBS AM

I guess Kall Eifel R 700 left 3955 for 3985 now? 73 wb df5sx (Wolfgang B,schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K [and non]. SKELTON AND CYPRUS SITES TO GO SILENT?

Wolfy has spotted that although Babcock have made some summer season registrations for Woofferton, they have not made any at all for Skelton and Cyprus. I made enquiries and have been told that Skelton will indeed be going silent from 31 March. However, it's not being closed (at least for the time being) but kept in reserve {kept in mothballed standard?}. I have assumed for a while that the existence of the Naval VLF transmitter at Skelton, and the nearby VLF at Anthorn, also run by Babcock, means that the station as a whole stood a good chance of surviving.

As Wolfy also noted, Woofferton now has an array for 4 MHz, so that is no longer a reason for keeping Skelton running.

So, just over 30 years ago there were five active SW sites in the UK - (Crowborough, Daventry, Rampisham, Skelton, Woofferton) but soon there will only be one (confidential item via wb df5sx, Feb 8, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Feb 8 via WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DXLD)

I suppose this is to be expected when considering the reduction in BBC external services. It is mostly brought about by the current government's lack of financing for the external services.

The BBC is having to find money out of the domestic licence fee instead, and that has been fixed at a low sum of money that has to pay for all domestic radio and TV. Guess which comes first in priority.

It will be interesting to see what remains of the BBC external services at the end of March, and what other services utilise Babcock facilities. I notice that the morning DRM transmission is still [also] registered on 5875 kHz - I wonder why? Surely the testing phase is over and it must be for some other reason.

5875 0700-0900 27S,28W,37N WOF 100kW 114degr English BAB DRM Mix

{depends on propagation, I guess winter frequency 3955 will be replaced by 5875 kHz during March? and summer season too. wb.}
(Noel R. Green-UK, Feb 8, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Feb 9 via DXLD)

All BaBcoCk activities move to WOOFFERTON --- Planned 3955 kHz at 0400-0600 UT with 100 kW DRM Mix and 2000-2130 UT with 250 kW in AM mode KBS relay in English. 21.5 transmission hours of Skelton site in B-12 will be moved to Woofferton site in coming summer, including KBS Seoul relay, FEBA Radio, and BBC transmissions in English, French and Tamil languages (Wolfgang B,schel, Feb 8, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Feb 9 via DXLD)

The transmission heard on 3955 kHz yesterday morning was an AM & DRM antenna match test in preparation for the start of 3955 DRM from Woofferton which began this morning [Feb 8].

Early next week [Feb 11-15], the evening KBS & RTI AM services will also transfer from Skelton to Woofferton site.

Tests on 3955 kHz are on-going during the day (GMT+0) while we check the antenna match to each transmitter (Martin Goulding, UK, Transmitter Engineer, Babcock International Group PLC, Woofferton Transmitting Station, Nr Ludlow, Shropshire, SY8 4AW, England, Feb 8, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Feb 9 via DXLD)

** U K [non]. 13820, Feb 10 at 0701, very poor signal as BBC News is starting, whence? ASCENSION, 250 kW, 55 degrees during this hour only, another example of needlessly fragmented frequency scheduling.

11890, Feb 10 at 1420, BBCWS with yet another show about the early history of radio, apparently titled ``Tuning In`` as 1429 paused for half-hour break, to resume. Rather poor reception with flutter and degrading, so I quit and look it up later. Full 55-minute programme: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p013zqp9>
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

This may be a repeat of the Archive on 4 Programme Tuning In broadcast on Radio 4 November 3. Details here: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b01nnw8t>
(Mike, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Dominic Sandbrook tells the story of how radio broadcasting began in Britain, and why it took so long to get started.

Sat 9 Feb 2013 09:05

Sun 10 Feb 2013 14:05

Sun 10 Feb 2013 20:05

Mon 11 Feb 2013 02:05

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p013zqp9>

(via Mike Terry, ibid.)

** U K. Band 3 TV its future use! Just wondering what the range 174-223 MHz will be used for; any ideas? I ask, as I have a Triax B3 preamp; I was told it could be moved to a lower or higher frequency range but to where! Anyway there it sits in my bottom drawer; what use is it or dump it! (Michael Rae, Maldon - Essex. One time TV DXer, 12 Feb, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

DAB uses frequencies in this Band see
http://frequencyfinder.org.uk/digi_freq.html
(BDXC-UK Moderator, ibid.)

As stated, DAB uses this band, mainly the top end. Digital TV is still used in band 3 in parts of Europe, in fact I believe every country has an allocation except the UK, who didn't want one. Don't be surprised if this changes in the future. With the top of the UHF band being sold off for 4G and the possibility that the middle of the band will also be sold off later TV will have to go somewhere.

The UK has a history of "stealing" broadcast bands for other uses and having to get them back later. In the '50s band 3 was taken as the BBC did not want it, then along came ITV which had problems in some areas until parts of band 3 were got back. There was a similar scenario with band 2 the top half of which was taken which prevented the broadcast of Radio 1 in FM and slowed the the implementation of local radio.
Rgds, (Gareth Foster, ibid.)

There is not need for additional TV spectrum; in fact, there's surplus TV spectrum at UHF that should be sold off.

Channels 31-37 in the middle of the DTT band are empty. Simple logic would have said that Ofcom should have cleared the channels at the top of the TV band below channel 60 this would have enable more paired mobile phone spectrum to be available in the current auction (there is only 30 MHz of valuable Paired Spectrum up for auction, Ofcom could have doubled it).

Anyway Ofcom plan at some point in the future to do another digital switchover making loads of TV's obsolete when TV finally moves to MPEG4 and Ofcom clear TV out of channels 49-60, see
http://stakeholders.ofcom.org.uk/binaries/consultations/uhf-strategy/statement/UHF_statement.pdf

Industry asked Ofcom to switch to MPEG4 back in 2005 before everybody bought new (and to be obsolete) MPEG2 sets but Ofcom refused, see
<http://www.southgatearc.org/news/january2006/freeview.htm>

The MPEG4 DVB-T2 standard allows twice as many Standard Definition stations in the same bandwidth or some extra SD plus some more HD stations (Trevor M5AKA, *ibid.*)

There would appear to be a shortage of UHF spectrum as most of the relay stations are only carrying 3 of the 6 Muxes used at main stations.

I fail to see how clearing more spectrum below ch 60 could enable more paired mobile phone spectrum to be available in the current auction. These things have to be done internationally, or at least on a Europe wide basis. It would mean manufacturing special mobile phones for the UK, expensive, and having special frequencies would restrict roaming on to UK networks by others.

Ofcom have just announced that the empty ch 31 to 37 are to be used for 2 temporary HD Muxes and for local TV.
http://stakeholders.ofcom.org.uk/binaries/consultations/600mhz-award/annexes/Annex_11.pdf

Any switch to more efficient compression methods could indeed allow more spectrum to be released or allow more channels using the existing spectrum. Many people would prefer this as Freeview is lacking in channels compared with Freesat. i.e. at present there is no platform neutrality.

We also have to consider future developments such as 4K or super HD which will require even more spectrum.

Which gets us back to the future of band 3 and the mess ups that past UK regulators have made of broadcasting bands in the past. Time will tell if history repeats itself. Rgds, (Gareth Foster, *ibid.*)

I'm very concerned at the number of 3.5" to 9" FST Digital / Freeview TV's being offered (particularly by companies using Ebay) which by their very nature are doomed to failure now digital has replaced analogue. Before with the basic analogue but much higher powered main transmitters (such as Sutton Coldfield) in some places a short length of wire was enough to pick up all four stations but ironically now we have at least twice this choice - given a good aerial - the possibility of good reception using the tiny things supposed to be issued with these sets unless one is literally a mile or two from the transmitter there's nothing or a constantly breaking up picture.

This surely is where such as Ofcom might advise importers of these Chinese receivers of the basic problem of trying to get a quart out of a pint-pot! I still have a 1960's KB b/w which with a set-top allowed me on a sunny warm day to watch BBC Cricket in the garden - try that

with digital unless you're in a saturated signal area!

Maplins drastically cut the cost of its otherwise well designed and built Nikkai 3.5". Zeuz and Tevion do offer incorporated DVD players or external A/V inputs but the problem comes back to the local TV signal, no matter how well designed or quality built the receiver, or how much TV is being sent out - if, only 25 miles from what used to be a wapping great signal, one is forced back to higher gain chimney 'golden angels' then that's NOT progress. More TV spectrum or not. (Rog Parsons (BDXC 782), Hinckley, Leics., ibid.)

The actual power of the transmitters is still around the same, but it is measured differently. With analogue the quoted figure was the peak vision carrier power. With digital there are many (almost 8000) carriers distributed across the channel and the average carrier power is quoted.

The TV network in the UK and Ireland both analogue and DSO digital is designed for 10 element outdoor aerials around 10 metres high, about 2 metres above the average rooftop. In some countries, Germany and Netherlands come to mind, the new digital network is much more powerful with indoor aerials in mind. The Netherlands has also changed to vertical polarisation which helps with these tiny so called DVB-T aerials. I believe these little sets are really designed with these markets in mind. Rgds, (Gareth Foster, ibid.)

** U S A [non]. 11840, Feb 9 at 1505, 'American Caf  ' from VOA, very good magazine show of several short features averaging 4 minutes each: Grand Central Terminal's 100th anniversary; cod shortage in Gulf of Maine due to wrong limits set by scientists who are now not trusted by fisherpeople; truffle-sniffing dog training in Oregon; ``12 Years a Slave`` autobiography now on audio book read by Louis Gossett Jr; young Afghan musicians on US tour; Grammy Awards. This hour only is 100 kW, 108 degrees via Lampertheim, GERMANY; so significant programming on Saturdays, instead of just 'Music Mix' on weekdays; what about Sundays?

13580, Feb 9 at 1437, VOA Kurdish with a LAH (low audible heterodyne) already, presumably Cairo carrier on way early for 1500 Albanian, and which by 1450 habitually adds tone test further disrupting VOA via Wertachtal, GERMANY, and must be even worse in the Mideast, yet IBB just doesn't care, because CIRAF targets differ?

17655, Feb 11 at 1411-1413* very strong open carrier, no tones or ID, but surely Greenville in usual advance check to be sure it will come up when needed at 1700 in VOA Portuguese (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. 13710, Feb 9 at 0610, enthusiastic Chinese conversation, one side on the phone. Since I am getting good signals on band from Pacific (13630 Australia, 13730 DRM NZ) but not Asia, I suspect this was really R. Free Asia, TINIAN rather than CNR1 jammer which surely attacked it (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 6030, 0625-0630 UT, Radio Marti from Greenville 22-12 UT covers also broadband spikes like scratch between 6011 and 6049 kHz, I'm not sure this is of Cuban origin, looks like more origin from Greenville? -- puzzle (Wolfgang B. Schel, Feb 7, eastern coast remote SDR stations in MA / NY, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7405, Sunday Feb 10 at 1305, it seems that R. Marti has started broadcasting in English --- not just incidentally, but an entire program. ``Saints Go Marchin' In`` playing followed by comments in English by a soprano about choral music, spirituals. 7405 well atop jamming now, but // 11930 more heavily jammed, at 1309 playing ``Walls of Jericho``. At 1329 it's back in Spanish.

Meanwhile, VOA ``Spanish`` is also playing music in English at 1317 on 15590, ``Top Ten USA`` from Billboard, but at least announced in Spanish, // 13750 and 9885.

15580, Sunday Feb 10 at 1406, VOA with same `American Caf  ` show aired 23 hours earlier on 11840, starting with Grand Central Terminal story. During this hour only, 15580 is via SOUTH AFRICA at 340 degrees, good for us just like Radio RSA was. Also // 17725 which this hour only is 100 kW, 126 degrees from SAO TOME.

15200-15250, Feb 13 at 2003, VOA French, Mathieu LaVoie with ``Country Musique``, bigsig and with huge splatter range, especially during music itself, from Greenville B, 15225 supposedly aimed east, opposite from here.

15560-15600 or so, Feb 13 at 2005, VOA Greenville in English 15580 is also splattering but less so. This had been the only hour that 15580 was via GB, but on January 3 added 03-05 UT, a bold move across the darkside, replacing S  o Tom   --- too little propagation, too much skip zone that early inside Africa? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 2660, Feb 7 at 0708 UT, black gospel music, typical default of KGLD Tyler TX, as previously heard many times, best around sunrise, but now just as good, occasional peaks above noise level. Makes me wonder whether besides harmonicizing from 1330, they are not really reducing from 1 kW day power to 77 watts night. Tried to hear // on 1330, but too much pileup QRM.

2660, Feb 8 at 0624 UT, some music audible, very poor, but the best/only 2 MHz harmonic audible now, presumably usual KGLD Tyler TX, 2 x 1330.

[and non]. 2660, Feb 11 at 0625 UT, very weak gospel music, no doubt the usual harmonic from 1330, KGLD Tyler TX. Storm noise level below 7 MHz has been high lately, worst on 2 MHz impeding much harmonic chasing.

Still nothing audible any more on 2240 or 2250 at 1216, and at 1218, North Korea was only very poor on 2850 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 26110/FM, KQVR-TV, Sacramento CA, studio relay; 1538-1602+, 3-Feb; "Live across the Valley, this is Good Day Sacramento"; feed from a 49er tailgate party in Manteca; Local news at ToH. During breaks; sometimes OC with DA, sometimes lost signal completely and sometimes played music; heard one "Check-Check, 1-2, 1-2". VGood peaks.

This one has become the most frequently heard relay in recent months. 25950 Denver last heard on 12/12 and 25910/25990 Fort Worth [sic] last heard 7/12 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST) They are in Dallas (gh)

** U S A. WORLD OF RADIO 1655 monitoring: confirmed first SW airing Thursday Feb 7 at 2200+ on WTWW 9479. Now they have shifted the start of WOR to well past when the top-of-hour ID is over, so no longer interrupted. Repeat is UT Sunday 0500 on 5830.

Also confirmed on WWRB, both 3195 and 5050 on air this week, UT Friday Feb 8 at 0429. First checked at 0420, a screaming & gasping preacher was playing; not sure if it is Larry Cain again, because Dave cut him off at 0428:30 for ID, respectful pause before starting WOR. Afterwards, at 0458, 5050 remained on air a while with open carrier.

Next: UT Saturday 0230v on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB. Saturday 0630 & 1430 on HLR 7265-CUSB. (Tom Taylor says 7265 now closes at 1500, so WOR has moved from 1630 to 1430.) On WRMI 9955: Sat 0900, 1600, 1830, Sun 0900, 1630, Mon 0530, Tue 1200. On WRN via SiriusXM 120: Sat 1830.

5110v-CUSB, UT Sat Feb 9, WORLD OF RADIO confirmed on Area 51 webcast, delayed start at 0236 after extended WBCQ 'Allan Weiner Worldwide'. Next: on WRMI 9955, Sat 1830, Sun 0900, 1600, Mon 0530, Tue 1200. On WTWW-1 5830, UT Sun 0500. On WRN via Sirius XM 120: Sat 1830.

Also our new affiliate in Forks, WA, KFKB 1490, starts WOR on Feb 10,

Sundays 1100 UT (3:00 am PST). So far I haven't got their webstream to work; maybe only functioning during ballgames as seems to be implied? Via <http://www.forks1490.com/> try Listen Live which goes to <http://radio.securenetsystems.net/v4/index.cfm?stationCallSign=KFKB> If anyone can hear KFKB on 1490 or web during WOR, please report. Best place to listen beyond Forks is probably Lemmenjoki, major DX-pedition site in Finland, 200 miles north of the Arctic Circle, but it should be audible around Victoria BC (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

GERMANY. Updated schedule of Hamburger Lokalradio and partner stations 0600-0800 7265 GOH 001 kW / 230 deg to CeEu USB+carrier as follows: 0630-0700 Wed/Sat World of Radio English

1100-1500 7265 GOH 001 kW / 230 deg to CeEu USB+carrier as follows: 1430-1500 Wed/Sat World of Radio English [excerpt; see GERMANY for full schedule]

Glenn, your weekend programme at 1430-1500 via HLR 7265 was heard, but spoiled here by local noise. The signal was fair to good with some co-channel - China probably but only weak. Without the local noise it would have been a good copy - I tried both loop and long wire, and both receivers (NRD-525 & Icom R-75) but to no avail. The new time is much better though and avoids the big CRI that crushed it previously at 1630. I'll hope for less racket this coming weekend. 73 from (Noel WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WORLD OF RADIO 1655 monitoring: confirmed Sat 1830 broadcast Feb 9 on WRN via WRMI at 1855 check on 9955: poor signal with fadeouts but no jamming audible. Further airings are Sun 0900, 1630, Mon 0530, Tue 1200 on 9955. On WTWW: UT Sunday 0500 on 5830.

WORLD OF RADIO 1655 monitoring: confirmed on WTWW-1 5830, UT Sunday Feb 10 starting at 0500.6, plenty after top of hour ID which autofires from WTWW transmitter site, is out of the way.

Sunday 1630 broadcast on WRMI 9955 is JBA at 1646 check, but no jamming. Next on WRMI, Mon 0530, Tue 1200

WORLD OF RADIO 1655 monitoring: confirmed on WRMI 9955, UT Monday Feb 11 at 0530, more or less level with the jamming; tnx a lot, Arnie! After 1200 jamming is heavy and presumably will be also on Tuesday during another WOR playback (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 5110v-CUSB, UT Sat Feb 9 before 0236 end of prolonged 'Allan Weiner Worldwide', he mentions that Area 51 will have special snowstorm programming this weekend, and WBCQ is far enough north not to get the brunt of the storm (but it snows a lot there anyway). Not sure if he meant that SW 5110v-CUSB would be on extended hours, or

just on the webcast, which was all I was listening to.

He also promoted new program starting a week from Sat at 7 pm on 7490, 'Sonny's Classic Country Radio Show' = 0000 UT Sundays; until now, the entire Saturday + UT Sunday schedule 2000-0500 UT on 7490 had been dedicated to 'I Sing' from GFRN, as still shown on the website schedule.

Anomalies from WBCQ, Feb 9, perhaps due to weather:

15420-CUSB, Feb 9 at 1912, instead of androgynous anapestic preaching, rock/soul music.

7490, Feb 9 at 2234, gospel huxter rather than 'I Sing'. Altho I have only one receiver handy on the 43-degree porch, it seems to be // 9330-CUSB. Instantaneous frequency switching is impossible on the DX-398. At 2347 recheck, 7490 is now in dead air, making it easier to hear BBC Thailand underneath, while 9330 is musical; still 7490 DA Feb 10 at 0050, 0102, 0205.

5110-CUSB, Feb 10 around 0055, rock music, presumed during scheduled 'Radio Timtron Worldwide' at 00-02; nothing heard about snowstorm during my brief chex. BTW, the Area 51 schedule at <http://www.worldmicroscope.com/> shows times in UT, but the days/dates are local ET. And I see that 'Pirates Week' has been running roughly every other week UT Mondays 03-04, including Feb 11.

7490, Feb 10 at 0458, WBCQ has finally resumed modulation after dead air for hours & hours; now it's a preacher, so must not be the 'I Sing' multi-hour program scheduled to end at 0500 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 9955, Thu Feb 7 at 1452, WRMI with 'Wavescan', vs pulse jamming but not wall-of-noise, during JSWC YL reading extremely struxured loggings from December, then Jeff closing with music fill. Next week's WS will be a special for World Radio Day, from the recent HFCC in Tunis. 1459, as on the latest WRMI grid, 'Hello sports fans - --' but the rest of the minute lost to jamming before 1500* (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 5085, Feb 10 at 0056, WTWW-2 is still missing even on Saturday night, and not on 9905 either, or earlier (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WTWW 2 on the air, 0230 UT, 5085 is on the air with Ted Randall playing requests (Tom Nyberg, Sumner, IA, UT Monday Feb 11, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 9273, Feb 9 at 2236 surprised to encounter good signal from that gospel huxtress with a heavy Japanese accent, and an annoyingly high-pitched voice. I bet it's WINB, since nothing is on 9265 where it should be now; did someone bump the Red Lion analog tuning knob? Not on 13570 either. Frequency then refined to 9273.25, and it's steady without a wobble, atypical of WINB; new transmitter? Retune at 2258 she is still going, plugging drinking lots of water between meals and citing Micah, then singing excruciatingly and incomprehensibly. Running late, outro with contact info including spelling her name, Miato Namihira, I think, as she did not employ fonetix like a true radio person. She must be a Seventh Day Adventist, as referred to 3ABN, Your Story Hour for kids with phone numbers, but her own address is in, of all places, Vicksburg, Mississippi.

2302 finally WINB canned ID from the ``United States of Americuh``, no frequency mentioned, dead air and then starting an OM g.h. with Americuhn accent, i.e. none, but too quick to interject an amen. At 2349 I remeasured the frequency on both the YB-400 and the DX-398 as 9272.9, so it's drifting down, but unlikely to attain 9265.0 by sign-off without help. No, at 0205 final check, it still at 9272.9. Meanwhile, the off-frequency is widely heard from Bulgaria to Brazil and even inside Pennsylvania. WINB program schedule, not updated since Jan 13, still claims to be on 9265, and the Sat 2230 UT program is 'Living the Bible' (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Greetings All, This might be old hat, but WINB from Red Lion PA is on 9273 kHz right now. Have heard them there since discovery at 2250. They had an Asian lady preaching for quite a while until positive ID at 2300. Her program continued for some time and she was very hard to understand, which made me hang around initially to see what this was. Right now at 2355, if you tune in, you will be treated to an Ebonics version of the good book. My sides ache. Haven't laughed this hard in awhile. Fair reception only here in Whitehall, more than likely because the signal is bouncing over me and I am getting limited E/H and some possible groundwave. 73 (Al Muick, Whitehall PA USA, Microtelecom Perseus / Wellbrook ALA1530P 2359 UT Feb 9, DX LISTENING DIGESET)

Yes. At 0025 exact on 9273 OM talk. 25432 (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, Brasil, *ibid.*)

Yes, 9273 at 0035. 34333 in Sofia (Ivo Ivanov, *ibid.*)

Was usually on 9264.957, previously on Feb 5. 73 wb (Wolfgang B.schel, Feb 10, *ibid.*)

9265, Feb 10 at 1252, WINB is back on proper frequency after excursion

to 9273v last night. And once again the carrier is wobbling unlike 9273, again raising the question of whether 9273 was a different transmitter? Try again tonight. At 1320, it's QSYed to 13570, also wobbling (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WINB 9265 seemingly totally OFF, nothing! noted anymore on various trace checks (Wolfgang B, schel, Feb 10-11, ibid.)

Time? 9 MHz, whether 9265 or 9273 is used only after 2200, and on Sundays only when on early in the morning (gh, DXLD)

9272.9, Feb 11 at 0054, WINB is back on this off-frequency like last night, meanwhile having reverted to 9265 in the morning. This carrier remains stable, unlike the wobbly ones when on 9265 and 13570. So another transmitter?

Since WINB appeared on strange new 9273v the past two evenings, but with a steady carrier, I want to catch their QSY time circa 2200 UT Feb 11 from 13570. At 2156 closing 'Guidelines' which strangely enough is a Spanish program, and the 13570 carrier is as usual wobbly. 2158 quick ID and QSY to 9265 announcement by M&W, off at 2158:43*.

I was already monitoring 9273 on another receiver in case it is a second transmitter, as it has not been wobbly, and could be turned on before the other one goes off, proving my suspicion --- but not today. In fact, WINB does QSY to 9265 from *2159:30, and it's obviously the same unit as on 13570, with the wobble. UT Feb 12 at 0053 check, it's still on 9265 rather than 9273. Will that ever show up again?

9265, Feb 12 at *2200, WINB has just switched here from 13570 until 2158*, and both wobbly, so another evening without the strange non-wobbly transmitter on 9273v instead. Still 9265 at 0101 Feb 13 check.

9265, Feb 13 at *2200.3, WINB cuts wobble on here after QSY from 13570 which was already off when I turned on at 2158. In the meantime I thought I heard a brief carrier on 9273, but maybe a spoiler from something else (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

New very strange frequency of WINB in English was observed on Feb. 10: 2200-0400 NF 9273 INB 050 kW / 242 deg to CeAm, ex 9265. Fair signal 34333 (DX RE MIX NEWS #767 from Georgi Bancov & Ivo Ivanov, Mon, Feb. 11, 2013, as of Feb 13, dxldyg via DXLD) not any more

** U S A. 6875, WWCN Nashville TN (presumed); 2225-2231+, 5-Feb; M in English & W in Spanish translating. She pronounced Jesus Christ as "Hey-sue Cray-ees-to", S30 sig. No hint of 6970 mixing product with 13845 before 2230. 13845 carrying University Network at the time.

After 2230, 6970 there with 13845 dominating. No indication of power or pattern change at 2230 on either (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15620-15670, Feb 10 at 2020, modulation spike spurs from 15825 WWCR are spreading across this approx. range (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. EWTN - 11 and 12 February 2013, I have noted EWTN on its regular frequency of 15610 kHz at 1530 UT. Tuning down a bit to 15595 kHz, I am picking up the exact same programming (image?) at a very weak level. It was also logged on 15595 kHz on 12 February 2013 at 1930. 73's, (Ed Insinger, Summit, NJ, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I have reported numerous times that the WEWN English frequency, 15610 all day, constantly puts out spurs peaking about 9 and 18 kHz either side, and sometimes even 27 kHz away: i.e. circa 15592 in this case. More obvious when they are beating against some victim, such as 15628 vs Greece 15630 in the mornings (gh, DXLD) See also VATICAN

** U S A [non]. 4895, 8/2 1556, Family Radio, transmitter? In Asian language, at 1559 in English with clear "Family Radio", fair/good (Giampiero Bernardini, Italy, playdx yg via DXLD) AIR Kurseong would normally be here; could they possibly carry any FR? (gh, DXLD)

** U S A. 550, Feb 7 at 1336 UT, KFRM Salina KS, several news stories about nothing but Nebraska, as it's a virtual local there from transmitter in Cloud County, N Central Kansas. Despite its motto, ``KFRM is full time farm radio and Your source for farm markets in Kansas and Oklahoma``, and no mention of NE now or anywhen on their comprehensive schedule http://www.kfrm.com/downloads/KFRM_programs.pdf There is however, a scheduled `Oklahoma News Summary` M-F at 1715-1720 UT, followed on Thursdays only at 1720-1725 by `Oklahoma Ag Report`; and M-F 1827-1830 `Oklahoma Ag First`, plus several reports for different regions of Kansas (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 770, Feb 7 at 1403 UT, ``KKOB First News, starts now!``, good timing, for they have just gone to daytime pattern at 1400 UT in February for Albuquerque NM (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 860, Feb 7 at 1340 UT in KKOW KS null, land for sale ad in Devine, which is just down I-35 from Von Ormy, SW of San Antonio TX, then rock music, no doubt KONO; had also just heard country music with big sig on 680, no doubt KKYX. And soon heard also 1350 KCOR (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 960, KGWA Enid has continued to provide a Fox-hole every

night the past week at 0600-0605 UT, during which only its hummy carrier from a few miles away remains. UT Feb 9 I first hear ABC news, i.e. KMA Iowa, and from 0601 mostly blues harmonica music, 0603 R-E-S-P-E-C-T, 0604 tentative ID at last for WABG, Mississippi. But I have been straining to hear such an ID and it may have been semi-imagined.

Previously: Hello Glenn, re: the 960 unID, did you hear anything related to "Awesome AM" or awesomeam.com? If so, that would be WABG. They are a periodic visitor here. 73, (Todd Brandenburg, Silver Lake KS, Feb 4, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Todd, Thanks for the tip. I'll listen for that. I have never heard any announcement from the blues station during those 5 minutes. I may have to resort to trying to match the listen live, tho I normally turn off the noisy computer before starting my midnite monitoring (Glenn to Todd, via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Since then I tried listening to webstream while DXing the Foxhole from the coldspot, but it's too close to the computer noise, incompatible. WABG website certainly emphasizes its blues format (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1060, Feb 7 at 1358 UT, Spanish in Chicano accent, no doubt KIJN Farwell TX as usual, plugs <http://myjesusradio.com> pronounced in English, proceeding with blessings. That website forwards to <http://myjesusradio.wix.com/myjesusradio> which autolaunches crummy hummy audio feed, sounds like picked up off air on cheap AM radio, but at least no fast SAHs here, checked later in the daytime.

I was also hearing SAH and peppy gospel music in Spanish earlier around 0700 UT on 1060, daytimer KIJN as usual functioning as a fulltimer. Back at 1358, Seemed to be CCI from another SS, but from 1400 UT, ABC News takes over from NW/SE, no doubt KRCN Longmont CO, just powering up from 111 to 50,000 watts as scheduled for it official February sunrise (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1090, Feb 7 at 1344 UT, in null of KEXS Kansas City, mention in English of UFO sightings, soon losing out to fast SAH and XEAU. Could this be KAA Y Little Rock back on the air? Yes! per <http://mighty1090kaay.blogspot.com/>

``Thursday, February 7, 2013 --- KAA Y Back On The Air --- Doug Virden has reported that, as of the evening of February 6, 2013, KAA Y has returned to the air, and that he wished the music from the 60's and 70's would have returned, as well. Nonetheless, kudos to the technician(s) involved who got the station back on the air! Bud S. (staceys4@hotmail.com) Posted by at 6:17 AM``

His previous report said it's a 5 kW transmitter replacing the 50 kW. So will it need to stay on the same tight direxional patterns as when full-powered? Apparently the antennas are OK. At FCC AM Query there is nothing obvious about an STA, but in the Correspondence Folder this filing January 17 saying it went silent January 10, including:

``THE KAAAY(AM) MAIN TRANSMITTER HAS SUFFERED A MAJOR POWER SUPPLY FAILURE AND THE AUXILIARY TRANSMITTER HAS BEEN FATALLY DAMAGED BY WATER. AS RESULT, THE STATION IS OFF THE AIR. RADIO LICENSE HOLDING CBC, LLC, WILL FILE A REQUEST FOR SILENT SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY IF THE TRANSMITTERS CANNOT BE REPAIRED BY FEBRUARY 8, 2013.``

Station's own website schedule

<http://www.1090kaay.com/common/more.php?m=10&mode=schedule&r=2>
shows nothing but ``airtime available`` 24/7! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

At 5 KW, KAAAY doesn't have to be as directional as at 50KW. I can't say for sure, but I think I'd heard they were running non directional at night, which accounted for several people hearing them where they wouldn't normally (Paul B Walker, Feb 7, NRC-AM via DXLD)

KAAAY running 5 kW must still use the night time directional pattern, as it is their licensed pattern. They would have to submit complete engineering to alter the pattern. They could run whatever power they wanted non directional at night with an STA provided that the power level at their two night time nulls did not exceed the power level on those bearings that have been established in their night array (Jerry Kiefer, KBXD Dallas, Feb 7, NRC-AM via DXLD)

1090, Feb 10 at 0622 UT, ``Old Rugged Cross`` in modern version not usual tune, 0624, ``Faith comes by hearing, KAAAY`` ID, as Little Rock is back on air; fair and steady signal dominating from east, and I wonder if the temporary(?) 5 kW transmitter is also running non-direxional day pattern instead of usual tight NNW/SSE night pattern: http://transition.fcc.gov/ftp/Bureaus/MB/Databases/AM_DA_patterns/72206-7327.pdf
I'm about 280 degrees from KAAAY, supposedly part of the deep null in its figure-8 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1350, Feb 7 at 1349 UT, promo in Spanish for traffic and weather every dekamminute, KCOR ID, San Antonio (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. To avoid confusion with the change to DST on March 10, 2013 the KBXD 1480 kHz chief engineer has changed the DX Test to March 17, 2013 0000-0200 CDT. 73, (Kraig, KG4LAC, Krist, Feb 13, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) = 0500-0700 UT which cannot be confused (gh, DXLD)

** U S A. QSL: WQOQ385/596, 1680, Hampton Roads Area, Virginia, full data, very friendly QSL letter in 120 days for English report via first class mail with 2 first-class stamps as return postage. I had almost given up hope on this one! This is a Highway Advisory Radio Station, running 10 watts into a 49 foot loaded monopole antenna. Quite a nice distance for 10 watts. V/s Alex Gonzalez N3GZ, Depot Maintenance. alex(dot)gonzalez(at)vdot(dot)virginia(dot)gov

Alex states: "we welcome future reports from your station and encourage other Short Wave listeners to do the same."

I guess in this age of drastic budget cuts, stations may once again appreciate receiving signal reports versus the time, expense and energy of making field measurements! Sorry for the second report this week, but this I had not anticipated. :-) 73 (Al Muick, Whitehall PA, Microtelecom Perseus / Wellbrook ALA1530P active loop dxldyg via DXLD)

** U S A. 1710 kHz with vintage AM radio clips - 0830 UT. Suspect The Big Q, but no ID yet, just continuous clips of classic AM radio programming in between oldies music and vintage ads. Old clips (1960s) from WMCA, WQXI and others heard. Very entertaining show. Strong signal into Michigan (Tim Tromp, West Michigan, 0849 UT Feb 9, ABDX via DXLD)

** U S A. Pirate Crackdown (Free Radio Net posting by QRP):
<http://www.insideradio.com/Article.asp?id=2613765&spid=32061#.URN506X1EZ0>

"It is official: 2012 was a tough year to be a pirate radio operator. The FCC has released year-end data detailing its stepped-up policing of unlicensed radio stations including a nearly four-fold increase in the number of warnings issued to pirates by field agents. The FCC says it shut down hundreds of pirate stations during the 2012 fiscal year. It also issued 583 warnings up significantly from the 158 warnings handed to pirates in 2011. And there were \$289,000 worth of fines issued, a 30% increase over the prior year.

Not all interference comes from pirates, however. Some broadcasters may argue unnecessary regulation also causes plenty of static. On that front chairman Julius Genachowski says from January 2010 through the end of 2012 the FCC has eliminated more than 260 rules and regulations that were overly burdensome, out of date, or otherwise impeded economic growth and development. In the agency's annual performance report Genachowski says it is using a more rigorous cost-benefit analysis when looking at rulemakings, as well as reducing the agency's backlog."

[A subsequent FRN posting by phlegm shows that the above may be

"grossly" overstated] <http://diymedia.net/archive/0213.htm#020613>

2/6/13 - FCC Grossly Overstates Anti-Pirate Activity

A paragraph in the FCC's annual performance report for fiscal year 2012 suggests the agency is on the warpath against unlicensed broadcasters: The FCC shut down hundreds of pirate broadcast operations, which threaten the integrity of the nation's communications infrastructure and caused interference to licensed broadcasters, air traffic control frequencies, and other public safety communications. There were \$289,000 in penalties and 583 warnings issued during FY 2012.

Specious claims of the pirate threat aside, these numbers were quickly parroted by the Clear Channel-owned trade publication Inside Radio as evidence of a "pirate crackdown confirmed." But there's no data to back up these claims. I've carefully collected all the FCC-released data on unlicensed broadcast enforcement over the last 15 years. Chairman Julius Genachowski claims the agency handed out 583 warnings in 2012. Trouble is, there's only documentation for 103.

In fact, the agency's never done 583 of anything against pirates in any given year: the Enforcement Bureau maxed out at just 447 enforcement actions of all kinds in 2009 and 2010, and activity has dropped off sharply since then. Interestingly, the performance report understates the dollar figure of proposed fiscal penalties against pirates: the FCC says it handed out "\$289,000 in penalties" during 2012 when it rightfully could've claimed nearly \$500,000 ñ \$205,700 in actual forfeitures and \$294,000 in Notices of Apparent Liability (pre-fines). Collecting these penalties is a different matter ñ the FCC positively sucks at follow-through.

The actual state of FCC enforcement against pirate radio in 2012 is one of tenuousness. A thinly-distributed staff at regional and district field offices, overwhelmed with many, many other enforcement duties, only gets the chance to hunt pirates when complaints arise (with the exception of Miami and Brooklyn, where agents apparently conduct semi-regular "band scans" ñ appropriate for the two hottest pirate spots in the entire country). This hardly scratches the surface of unlicensed broadcasting in the United States.

This is not the first time Inside Radio has taken unsubstantiated claims from the FCC on pirate enforcement activity and run with them. Don't believe the hype: the agency's still a paper tiger (via MARE Tipsheet 8 Feb via DXLD)

** UZBEKISTAN. 11730, Feb 7 at 1259 an open carrier here, unlike no carrier from NZ on 11725; recheck at 1312, it's fluttery R. Japan with

news in English, 100 kW, 141 degrees from Tashkent (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** UZBEKISTAN. 15755, re my unID Feb 10 at 1408: Ivo Ivanov says this is the TWR India service via Tashkent, ex-7505, but stays on 7505 after 1430. Jorge Freitas, Brasil, also monitored it Feb 11 from 1349 until 1430 via the SDR in Twente, Netherlands, and heard a TWR ID at the end: <http://www.ipernity.com/doc/75006/14246973/> (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) or NOT; Pridnestrovye; see INDIA [non]

** VATICAN. 21680, Feb 7 at 1318, theological discussion in Italian, 1319 closing 'Edizione Internazionale', reference to radiovoaticano.va and until 1320*, times for next broadcasts. Along with 21610 Spain, it was the SS0B, better even than 21780 Rwanda. 21680 is supposed to be 250 kW, 185 degrees from SMG to Africa at 1300-1320, but continues to reach far offbeam targets as well.

7250, Feb 8 at 0608, open carrier already, no doubt VR SMG turned on way early before scheduled 0630 Latin mass. Will they modulate it with Swedish and Albanian this morning? No, stays just OC until finally 0629:18 brings up the bells. Now it's // 6075, which was not on the air earlier like 7250.

3975, another // to 7250 & 6075, compensates by being absent still at 0631; finally carrier on at *0631:50-0632:00*; another try at *0632:47 and now it manages to stay on, joining mass in progress.

Here we go again with anomalies prior to the 0630 Latin Mass on at least four Vatican Radio frequencies: Feb 9 at 0617, 7250 is not on yet, but at 0618, 6075 is on way early, modulating French service to Africa. At 0627, 7250 is now on early in presumed Albanian. At 0628 now I hear 6075 // 9645 with music, and at 0629 both switch to bells, and joined by 3975.

9645, Feb 10 at 0706, surprised to hear VR on past 0700, now with nice organ music, best here but also // 7250, 6075, 3975 as the lower frequencies are getting further and further into dayside absorption. Back to 9645 to hear switch to IS at 0709, 0710 a snippet of bells and cut off the air, also the other three. 0711 however, 9645 is back on (after beam change?) starting mass in Romanian, despite WRTH 2013 scheduling showing that Sundays only 0715-0830 and only on 7250.

15320, Feb 10 at 1505, hymn music with buzz and horrible distortion, but clears up during some more music, back to buzz during talk. Carrier is stable. Apparently a modulation input problem at SMG from R. Veritas Asia during their Filipino relay back to Mideast (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15320, 11/Feb 1510, Vatican State (Relay), R Veritas Asia in Filipino. Two YL Talk. Very weak signal in my QTH, but good signal in SDR Twente, today without problem in the modulation (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, 12 14YS 38 58YW - Brasil, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non]. 6075, Feb 11 at *0628:45, VR cuts on air to present tail of secret English broadcast; she says won't be back tomorrow, but next weekend, so Sat & Sun only at 0600?? On no known frequencies. After ``Laudetur Iesus Christus``, 0629 cut to bells prior to 0630 mass.

I suppose PBXVI resignation news broke after this; could have been a scoop for Vatican Radio, but one of his greatest achievements has been gutting the shortwave service. Instead I first hear about it on BBCWS 21470 Cyprus at 1420, which devotes the rest of the hour to discussing it, disrupted by some transmission breaks around 1431.

Clicking thru the US cable news channels, and major broadcast networks, nary a mention until one of them puts it on a crawler. Clearly minor news over here. What about EWTN? They are playing back a Sunday night talk show, but at 1500 UT go to a Live special, having rounded up several of their own staff to discuss it, and it's simulcast on WEWN 15610 out of synch with the TV network (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

AUDIOCLIP: VATICAN RADIO VIA MEYERTON. THE RESIGN OF BENEDICT XVI

The African service of Vatican Radio via Meyerton today at 18.30 utc on 15570 KHz. The the about the Benedict XVI resign. The audioclip is available here:

<http://blog.libero.it/radioascolto/11911852.html>

73's (Francesco Cecconi, Central Italy, RX: ICM R71 + LONG WIRE, radioescutas yg via DXLD) 8 minutes; there says 1730 UT (gh, DXLD)

<http://www.aciprensa.com/noticias/video-vea-aqui-la-renuncia-del-papa-benedicto-xvi-27344/>

VATICANO, 11 Feb. 13 / 02:08 pm (ACI).- El Centro Televisivo del Vaticano dio a conocer el video del discurso en el que el Papa Benedicto XVI anunci  esa ma ana su renuncia al pontificado, una decisi n sorprendente e hist rica que tom  con sus plenas facultades mentales y en total libertad.

El anuncio lo hizo en un Consistorio convocado para anunciar la canonizaci n de algunos santos, como los 800 m rtires italianos asesinados por musulmanes en el siglo XV.

Puede ver el video íntegro -de su decisión absolutamente personal y que le era desconocida a los miembros de la Curia- con el doblaje en español del anuncio del Papa en latín en:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UIG5JE8hr3E>

A continuación, el mensaje completo del Papa Benedicto XVI:

"Queridísimos hermanos,

Os he convocado a este Consistorio, no sólo para las tres causas de canonización, sino también para comunicaros una decisión de gran importancia para la vida de la Iglesia.

Después de haber examinado ante Dios reiteradamente mi conciencia, he llegado a la certeza de que, por la edad avanzada, ya no tengo fuerzas para ejercer adecuadamente el ministerio petrino.

Soy muy consciente de que este ministerio, por su naturaleza espiritual, debe ser llevado a cabo no únicamente con obras y palabras, sino también y en no menor grado sufriendo y rezando.

Sin embargo, en el mundo de hoy, sujeto a rápidas transformaciones y sacudido por cuestiones de gran relieve para la vida de la fe, para gobernar la barca de San Pedro y anunciar el Evangelio, es necesario también el vigor tanto del cuerpo como del espíritu, vigor que, en los últimos meses, ha disminuido en mí de tal forma que he de reconocer mi incapacidad para ejercer bien el ministerio que me fue encomendado.

Por esto, siendo muy consciente de la seriedad de este acto, con plena libertad, declaro que renuncio al ministerio de Obispo de Roma, Sucesor de San Pedro, que me fue confiado por medio de los Cardenales el 19 de abril de 2005, de forma que, desde el 28 de febrero de 2013, a las 20.00 horas, la sede de Roma, la sede de San Pedro, quedarán vacante y deberán ser convocados, por medio de quien tiene competencias, el cónclave para la elección del nuevo Sumo Pontífice.

Queridísimos hermanos, os doy las gracias de corazón por todo el amor y el trabajo con que habéis llevado junto a mí el peso de mi ministerio, y pido perdón por todos mis defectos.

Ahora, confiamos la Iglesia al cuidado de su Sumo Pastor, Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, y suplicamos a María, su Santa Madre, que asista con su materna bondad a los Padres Cardenales al elegir el nuevo Sumo Pontífice.

Por lo que a mí respecta, también en el futuro, quisiera servir de todo corazón a la Santa Iglesia de Dios con una vida dedicada a la plegaria.

Vaticano, 10 de febrero 2013

BENEDICTUS PP. XVI" (via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

RESIGNING POPE NO LONGER HAS STRENGTH TO LEAD CHURCH BACKWARD

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VATICAN CITY ó Citing his advancing age and deteriorating health, Pope Benedict XVI announced his resignation from the papacy Monday, saying he no longer possessed the strength and energy required to lead the Catholic Church backward.

According to the 85-year-old pontiff, after considerable prayer and reflection on his physical stamina and mental acuity, he concluded that his declining faculties left him unable to helm the Church's ambitious regressive agenda and guide the faith's one billion global followers on their steady march away from modernity and cultural advancement.

iIt is with sadness, but steadfast conviction, that I announce I am no longer capable of impeding social progress with the energy and endurance that is required of the highest ministry in the Roman Catholic Church,i Benedict reportedly said in Latin to the Vatican's highest cardinals. iWhile I'm proud of the strides the Church has made over the past eight years, from thwarting AIDS-prevention efforts in Africa to failing to punish or even admit to decades of sexual abuse of children at the hands of clergy, it has become evident to me that, in this rapidly evolving world, I now lack the capacity to continue guiding this faith back centuries.i

iThus, I must step down from the papacy,i he added. iBut let me assure every member of the Church that the Vatican's commitment to narrow-mindedness and social obstruction will long live on after my departure.i

Word of Benedict's resignationóthe first for a sitting pope in nearly 600 yearsóreportedly stunned the world's Catholic faithful, many of whom believed the German-born pontiff still had years of stymieing female advancement in Church roles, opposing stem cell research, and inflaming tensions with Jews, Muslims, and Anglicans left in him.

Other members of the faith, however, said they recognized the Holy Father had, as of late, grown slower and more feeble in his ability to block measures regarding scientific discovery and same-sex rights. Many believers expressed appreciation that Benedict recognized his

limitations at obstructing society's advancement, and admitted feeling a sense of excitement that a new pontiff could reinvigorate the faith's obsolete ideology and guide the Church toward bold social norms unseen since the Middle Ages.

I'll always appreciate what Benedict XVI did for limiting my ability to receive basic health care services," said devout Catholic Ana Maria Fernandez of Buenos Aires. "He was a visionary leader who was undaunted by modern realities and social trends, always vowing to triumph over modern ideals of fairness, equality, and in many cases, even basic human compassion to achieve a darker, far more regressive world for all of us."

I doubt we'll ever find another leader so committed to reversing society's natural progression of post-Enlightenment values," Fernandez added. "He will truly be missed."

Responding to the widespread outpouring of shock and sadness surrounding his resignation, Benedict issued a brief statement Monday afternoon consoling his followers, assuring them that "the Church's most ignorant and regressive days still lie ahead of us." (The Onion via Des Preston, DXLD)

7250, Feb 13 at 0630, VR cuts on and off and on, fair signal when on, but inferior to good signals on 6075 and 3975 as mass is starting; and 9645 very poor if at all (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VENEZUELA. Radio Rumbos, 670, no data friendly QSL email in 463 days for Spanish airmail report with 3 IRCs and several failed follow-ups before I found a valid email address for them. Email QSL comes 60 days after last follow-up to rrumbos670am(at)gmail(dot)com . V/s Francisco Vargas, Presidente, Radio Rumbos.

Needless to say, I am ecstatic over this QSL! Their fax numbers have all been disconnected, and there was an outgoing mail embargo from Venezuela for some time. I managed to find a valid email for them after months of digging through the web.

I still have my Radio Rumbos QSL from 9660 kHz from their shortwave heyday in 1976, which was a clamshell with a pearl on the beach. This was one of the first QSLs I ever received. Sometimes I miss the old days when the Venezuelans were all over 60 meters. 73s (Al Muick, Whitehall PA USA, Feb 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VIETNAM. 7906 and 8294 kHz USB, VISHIPEL presumed the one in parallel on these frequencies this a.m. At 1205 and 1235, alert tone followed by 5-minute broadcast by male announcer in SE Asian language, and then alert tone again and off. At 1205, 7906 was better here; at

1235, 8294 was better. 2/10/13 (Art Delibert, North Bethesda, MD, NRD 535, Pennant antenna with DX Engineering pre-amp, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** VIETNAM. 7220.016, V of Vietnam in Mandarin Chinese service from Son Tay site, at 1225 UT Feb 11. S=9+15dB signal sidelobe in Nara-JPN. Unstable signal wandered slightly upwards. Modern Vietnamese pop music performed by young singer group.

7435.483, Voice of Vietnam 1st program in Vietnamese via Son Tay site, observed around 1250 UT Feb 11. S=8-9 in remote unit at Nara-JPN. Hit heavily even signal of CNR Beijing.

9635.0, V of Vietnam national program from Son Tay site in Vietnamese noted around 1357 UT Feb 11, sweet local pop music at S=7-8 level downunder on Australian remote unit. Seemingly like Vietnam National Anthem played at 1359-1401 UT. [why is this one on-frequency??? gh]

9839.868, V of Vietnam foreign service program in Japanese from Son Tay site noted at 1410 UT (Wolfgang B, schel, Feb 11, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DXLD)

** VIETNAM [and non]. 9920, Feb 11 at 1208, whoop-whoop siren jamming, no doubt aimed at FEBC, 100 kW due west from Iba per Aoki at 1200-1230 in Rade on Sun-Wed, Jarai on Thu-Sat, and more Vietnam minority languages we've never heard or heard of until 1330 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** YEMEN. 6135, 8/2 1425, Yemen Radio, Aden [sic: it's Sana'a --- gh], Arabic talks, then song, weak/fair. Ciao (Giampiero Bernardini, Excalibur Pro, SDR-IQ, FunCube Pro Plus, Icom R7100, Loop Wellbrook LFL 1010, MaxiWhip con balun 1:32 e 1:40 by A. Capra, <http://radiodxsw.blogspot.it/> Feb 13, playdx yg via DXLD)

** ZANZIBAR. TANZANIA, 11735, Zanzibar BC (presumed); 2055-2056:11*, 3-Feb; Arabic [sic] wailing [sic] and abruptly off. SI0=3+53 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

ZBC Radio, 11735 Dole. Feb 10, 2013. Sunday. 1840-1857. Swahili. YL singing Arabic song. ID "ZBC" at 1845 then sounded like brief Christian organ music and a hymn to 1847. Did I imagine it? Followed by an OM talking in Swahili. Two more "ZBC"s at 1859 followed by drumming and time pips a few secs before 1900. Probably the best I have ever heard it, but with occasional severe flutter. Jo'burg sunset 1654 (Bill Bingham, RSA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZIMBABWE. Voice of Zimbabwe, 4828 Gweru. Feb 7, 2013. Thursday. 1820-1841. After last night's untimely demise of Voice of Zimbabwe (carrier and all), tonight I can hear nothing on 4828 but a very hummy carrier. Quite strong, s9 - s9+10, with hum at what I guess to be about 100 Hz. It should certainly be on-air at this time of night (Aoki says 1630-0530, EiBi says 1530-0430). Could lightning near Jo'burg really have damaged a transmitter in Zimbabwe? Surely not! I assume they are just following their normal irregular schedule. Jo'burg sunset 1656.

Voice of Zimbabwe, 4828 Gweru. Feb 8, 2013. Friday. 0343-0348. Still hearing a strong s9+10 and very hummy carrier on this frequency, no program material. Jo'burg sunrise 0348.

Voice of Zimbabwe, 4828 Gweru. Feb 8, 2013. Friday. 1740-1746 and 1840-1850. Nothing heard tonight, not even a carrier.

Radio Zimbabwe, 6045 Gweru. Feb 10, 2013. Sunday. 1750-1802. Shona, with Afro music. Talking about football, mentioned "Soccer City" and "Calabash", two names for the same stadium here in Jozi. Actually re-christened the "National Stadium" for the duration of the African Cup of Nations. Back to afro music for and through TOH. Fair - poor. Jo'burg sunset 1654.

Voice of Zim is back on air. Voice of Zimbabwe, 999 and 4828 Gweru. Feb 11, 2013. Monday. 1755-1821. English announcements with afro music. News seemed to begin at 1802, but I foolishly missed the TOH whilst changing frequency to check their medium wave frequency 999 (present and in //, but weak and occasionally fading to noise level. I did not hear it last night, Feb 10). ID at 1813 "This news broadcast comes to you from the Voice of Zimbabwe". Both frequencies poor.

At 1828 someone in Gweru must have flipped a switch; 4828 reception suddenly improved to very good. No change on 999 though.

Voice of Zimbabwe, 4828 Gweru. Feb 12, 2013. Tuesday. 1820-1846. Unlike last night (Feb 11) nothing heard tonight, not even a carrier.

Voice of Zimbabwe, 999 Gweru. Feb 12, 2013. Tuesday. 1820-1846. Nothing heard tonight, but there is a strong unmodulated carrier, s7-s9. Of course there are other more distant possibilities, but based upon strength alone I presume it is from Gweru. Perhaps an irrational assumption. Jo'burg sunset 1653.

Radio Zimbabwe, 6045 Gweru. Feb 13, 2013, Wednesday. 1945-1952. Shona, radio play. Good-very good. Jo'burg sunset 1652 (Bill Bingham, RSA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 960, Feb 12 at 0600-0605 UT, a little bit of everything but no IDs during local KGWA's unmodulated Fox-hole: 0601 romantic music in Spanish, so XEK or XEFAMA; 0602 mixing with blues, so WABG Mississippi; 0603 ABC news so KMA Iowa (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Re gh's 2240 harmonic: Regarding an 1120 logging, WPRX has been known to not switch to night power or pattern (Paul B Walker, Jr, Feb 7, NRC-AM via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 2660, Feb 13 at 0617 UT, announcement and some music with a beat. Besides XEVT 2910, which is off the air 0600-1058, altho very weak, 2660 is now the most reliable harmonic frequency. Probably still KGLD Tyler TX despite legal night power on 1330 of 77 watts, but I once had a second carrier on 2660, so possibly something else (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) More under USA: KGLD

UNIDENTIFIED. 3359.5-, Feb 12 at 0650-0700+, good open carrier with some fading, so not local, and another weaker one on 3133.5-. The two make exactly the same pitch against 1-kHz BFO steps on the YB-400, so related? And both are slightly on the lo side of the midpoint between 1 kHz steps. Nothing halfway between them at 3246.5- (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 4717-USB, 0005 to 0010 two men in Spanish repeating list of numbers, Not an automated numbers station - 5 Feb (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D, Icom 746Pro, Drake R8 - 60 meter dipole - AOG, dxsf 1981-2013, Feb 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST) As QRM to BOLIVIA 4716.65

UNIDENTIFIED. 4800, 1145 to 1200, locatura [sic] en espa0ol mixing with dominant China, very weak, cf. Mark Coady previous log. - 5 Feb (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D, Icom 746Pro, Drake R8 - 60 meter dipole - AOG, dxsf 1981-2013, Feb 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 4835 & 4835, Feb 10 at 0054, again two JBA carriers slightly apart detectable with BFO, expected to be Peru & Sikkim, but little prospect of either getting any better.

4835 & 4835+, Feb 12 at 0057, yet again my BFO says there are two JBA carriers on slightly different frequencies, before both become blasted away from 4840 by WWCR; presumably Gangtok and Quillabamba. Many of the other signals from Asia and Latin America recently logged on 60m around this time are in too, not relogged now (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 4888.8, Feb 12 at 0124 open AM carrier, vs CODAR; not

necessarily a broadcaster, none known on this offset, as this is a utility band outside the tropix (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 4895, 8/2 1556, Family Radio, SITE?, in Asian language, at 1559 in English with clear "Family Radio", fair/good. Ciao (Giampiero Bernardini, Excalibur Pro, SDR-IQ, FunCube Pro Plus, Icom R7100, Loop Wellbrook LFL 1010, MaxiWhip con balun 1:32 e 1:40 by A. Capra, <http://radiodxsw.blogspot.it/> Feb 13, playdx yg via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. OTHR? Pulsing: Albert Kosnopfel and Olaf Biese report in A-DX since 3 days some broadband pulsing noise signals. Weak in England and Italy, but middle noise signals in Germany, but much stronger in Finland and Moscow. Best heard at OH5YW IP 80.220.212.89 remote SDR unit. see Screenshot. 3 main areas seen and heard

4862 - 4915

4997 - 5075

5578 - 5692 kHz at 0100-0132 UT. 73 wb (Wolfgang B, schel, Feb 13, dxldyg via DXLD) Not just CODAR???

UNIDENTIFIED. 5990, Feb 11 at 0101, after very strong CRI via CUBA has closed, still a fairly good open carrier here with some fading, but no modulation. Aoki shows two on air after 0100: AIR in Sindhi, 250 kW, 334 degrees from Delhi/Khampur; and PBS Qinghai in Tibetan, 50 kW, 206 degrees from Xining.

5990, Feb 12 at 0100 after CRI/Cuba is off, again tonight a fair open carrier with some flutter. I need to stay with it in case there is a late sign-on, but tonight distracted by DIEGO GARCIA, q.v. 0106 rechecked, now 5990 is just barely modulated with talk of some sort. S Asian monitors, I ask, Is that typical of AIR's Sindhi service from Delhi? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 6916/USB, Fishermen; 0023-0045+, 5-Feb; two men, 2-way, both with New England accents -- mentioned some MA locations. One says "over" every time -- the other doesn't & coughs a lot; both use colorful, bodily function phraseology; Possibly lobstermen. Checked again at 0503 --- same two! colorful as ever. Finished at 0507 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 7295, 2234-2300+, 5-Feb; M&W in English (only catch a word here & there) with mix of talk & variety pop tunes (EZL to headbanger). Poor but noticeably better in LSB despite Chinese splash from 7290 till near ToH when QRM went up significantly, due to Chinese on both 7290 & 7300. Best guess is Traxx FM, Malaysia, which has been heard here near local sunset before (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA,

Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 7414.0, Feb 7 at 1304, roar and Chinese(?) or at least a tonal language, M&W talking, with modulation distortion too. Seems more like a spur or malfunctioning fundamental than being jammed, and the carrier is unstable, warbling with BFO on. Retune at 1328 the same, until everything cuts off at 1329:35*. Yesterday this was on 7413.0 and I was guessing it could be V. of Tibet via Tajikistan. Today's Aoki still has nothing to explain either frequency at this time.

7414, Feb 8 at 1328, the distorted rumbling carrier in Chinesish is on same frequency as before until cut off at 1329:57*. Still nothing in Feb 8 update of Aoki to explain it. However, EiBi shows:

7420 1215-1330 CHN CNR1 Jammer M FE
7420 1215-1330 IND All India Radio GOS [sic] TB Tib w

An obvious matchup, but could anyone in S Asia confirm whether this is really on 7414, or 7413? However, AIR follows with unjammed Nepali on same frequency, which is not being heard; and GOS from AIR applies only to their English broadcasts. Site w in Eibi must mean Guwahati. Altho the 7414 programming did not sound like CNR1, I should have compared it to known channels. HFCC shows azimuth of 130 degrees for 7420 in Tibetan & Nepali, which from Guwahati in the eastern wing of India is AWAY from Tibet and Nepal! Stranger and stranger.

Aoki agrees on 130 degrees, but shows 7420 starting at 1330 in Nepali, not for Tibetan before that, but where? Nor on any 7 MHz frequency.

7414, Feb 10 at 1305, blob with humroar is still here, mixed with sounds like Standard Chinese = Mandarin = Guo-yu; 1326 kept listening with the talk under the roar: this time stayed on until a single tone aired at 1330:10*. Yesterday I posted my previous logs of this mystery on the dx_india and dx_sasia ygs, but no responses yet (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, Segue o gráfico da emissora em 7414.10 que você mencionou. Também segue um áudio com a gravação. Há distorção no sinal, desculpe a qualidade da gravação. Agora as 1321 o sinal está melhorando, eu vou continuar a monitorar. Glenn, Acaba de sair do ar as 1330. Segue a gravação final. 73 Um abraço, (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, 12 14YS 38 58W - Brasil, Feb 11, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7414, I missed monitoring the distorted Chinese mystery until 1330* today Feb 11, but Jorge Freitas, Brasil did and posted clip at 1328 until it went off:

<http://www.ipernity.com/doc/75006/14246978/>

Still no replies from Asia about this

7413, Feb 12 at 1320 tune-in to mystery station (not on 7414 today), in Chinese, unseems Mandarin? Today signal is clear, no self-imposed hash or jamming but somewhat muffled M&W are talking, amid music bits; definitely not CNR1 as audible on numerous 6 and 7 MHz band frequencies and beyond, which were playing western classical music at 1327; Recorded final minute at 1329, 1330 to open carrier, tone test, off at 1330:21* Can anyone pull out an ID, or any other clue, confirm the language? Hear it at

<http://www.w4uvh.net/7413unid.rm>

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7413, 13/Feb 1300, UNID in Chinese/Mandarin. OM and YL talk. Quick instrumental music. I missed the beginning of the transmission with the ID. It started in 1300 with a modulation clear. Off the air at 1322 for a few seconds. At 1327 local pop music, rap style. At 1329 YL talk, then 1 kHz tone and end of transmission. Fair signal, listening on SDR from Twente. I made a complete recording of the transmission and I will make available later (Jorge Freitas, Brasil, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, Inicialmente a gravação foi feita a partir de um SDR na Rússia, mas o sinal estava melhor na Holanda e eu transferi a gravação. Hoje estava em 7413, como você disse, mas a modulação estava bem clara.

A complete recording of the transmission in:

<http://www.ipernity.com/doc/75006/14255599/>

Um abraço, (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana Bahia, ibid.)

Dear Glenn, Hiroshi confirmed on Feb. 12. This station is Chinese service of Voice of Tibet:

1200-1230 11528

1300-1330 7413

1330-1341 7548

1341-1430 7558 de Hiroshi

(S. Hasegawa, Feb 13, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

So TAJIKISTAN site? which habitually uses off-channel frequencies, hoping to sidestep ChiCom Jamming (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, ibid.)

This is the Voice of Tibet in Chinese, Absolutely (Ivo Ivanov, ibid.)

UNIDENTIFIED. 7715.5, Feb 8 at 0516, I notice some MCW, after which the A2 carrier cuts off during pauses. Seems like a single transmitter tho we have two stations in contact; repeater? Copied this much at 0520:

KA0R DE KA90 COME IN K
KA90 DE KA0R RGR GO AHEAD K
KA0R DE KA90 CURRENTLY HAVE FIVE VESSELS UNDER WAY AR
ALL CONDITIONS REPORTED AS NORMAL RK

These could be ham calls, and in fact they are, per ARRL lookup:

Golemo, Janusz, KA90
9662 Golf Ter Apt Gw
Des Plaines, IL 60016
Previous call sign: KC9HAV

SHEHAN, ARTHUR G, KA0R
2247 MIDVALE TERRACE
HENDERSON, NV 89074

However, hams have no business this far outside the 40m band! So maybe by coincidence, tactical military calls. Searching the 47,063 posts so far on the UDXF yg, no significant hits on the frequency or the callsigns. Any ideas? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

This sounds a lot like the possible SIGINT intercept operator training that I heard years ago on 16303 and a few other frequencies. They would transmit in CW, RTTY, and other digital modes (Tom Severt, N2UHC, St. Paul, KS, Feb 9, UDXF yg via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. Hi Glenn, Today, 12 February 2013, I once again picked up an UNID station on 10000 kHz at 2030 UT tune-in. At that time, directly on 10000 kHz, I heard music once again, as previously reported. Continuing to listen, I heard a single flute, or similar sounding instrument, at 2036. Nothing further was heard until 2043 when I heard vocals weakly, directly behind the time pips of WWV. Then nothing further until 2048, when once again I picked up vocals, which consisted of a female chorus, ever so weakly. I will scan the band as you have suggested, Glenn, to see if that will provide a clue as to what station this might be. 73's, (Ed Insinger, Summit, NJ, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Would seem Italcable but also includes timesigs (gh)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15160, 11/Feb 1827, in English. OM talk, ID at 1830, but I did not understand because of the failure of propagation. Then pop music. At 1835 old American music. Weak signal in my Degen (QTH), only JBA carrier in SDR from Twente. At 1837 YL talk, then instrumental music. Nothing in Aoki, Eibi and HFCC. American pirate? At 1843 the signal is degenerating. Still in air at 1848. Went off the air at 1900. 25332.

Glenn, A gravaÁ,,o da escuta em
<http://www.ipernity.com/doc/75006/14248145/>

73 (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, 12 14~~W~~S 38 58~~W~~W - Brasil,
dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Jorge, I tried to hear it before 1900, but a JBA carrier at best.
Your recording does seem to include an ID just past the mid-point :
``thank you for joining us`` ... ``WUSP, 6 o'clock``, and some more
talk which might have some clues. Except I am not sure of the letters,
could be something similar like WUFP or WUST or WUFT. What do others
think?

Searching hfunderground, we find that pirate Undercover Radio was
reported on 15160 in October:
<http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,8471.0.html>
73, (Glenn, ibid.)

UNIDENTIFIED. OTHR noted at 0805 UT on range 21520 to 21540 kHz, Feb
10 (Wolfgang B,schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DXLD)

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UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS  
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None to report, verbal or financial

PUBLICATIONS  
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2013 "Broadcasting Yearbook"

All - Just looked through a copy of the 2013 COMPLETE TELEVISION,  
RADIO & CABLE INDUSTRY DIRECTORY.

I'm curious if they'll publish a 2014 edition (and I've asked them).  
I'm curious how they will update the Radio/TV station data (and I've  
asked them).

For you radio and TV history buffs, the new edition "makes up" some  
information. If my radio station signed on in "1994" according to the  
2011 Broadcasting Yearbook, the 2013 CTRCID (!) says it signed on "01-  
01- 1994." Lots of "01-01" dates, spread throughout the book. Wonder  
how or if they'll ever fix that.

Thus far - to me - it's not worth \$350. But I sincerely hope there's  
promise for 2014 (Blaine Thompson, Editor, Indiana RadioWatch, irw @  
well.com <http://www.indianaradio.net> Feb 7, ABDX via DXLD)

HF MARITIME

I wonder if anyone can help. I'm looking for a list of HF SSB maritime stations or info to help me with listening to them. Thanks for any help in advance (Mark Davies, Anglesey, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Mark, I use the Yachtcom site -  
<http://www.yachtcom.info/MarineSSB/index.html>  
73 (Tony Molloy, Winter Hill, UK, ibid.)

#### BROADCASTING IN RUSSIAN

Consolidated schedule of radio stations broadcasting in the Russian language  
<http://www.dxcourier.ru/B'12.pdf> (334 kB)  
(Aleksandr Diadischev, Ukraine / ideneb-radio-dxî via RusDX via DXLD)

#### WORLD OF HOROLOGY +++++

#### WORLD RADIO DAY SOUNDCLOUD FILES

Some interesting audio files now on Soundcloud for World Radio Day, many on shortwave. the shortwave broadcasting one includes many of the files listed below though it ends with one on BBC Burmese service that I could not see separately listed. Includes Thomas Witherspoon on Ears to the World, Jeff White of RMI, Radio Prague in 1968, a profile of RAE and more.

<https://soundcloud.com/world-radio-day>  
(Mike Barraclough, Feb 12, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

#### CONVENTIONS & CONFERENCES +++++

#### NASB DINNER IN TUNIS AT HFCC

NASB board members, officers and members at the HFCC-ASBU HF Coordination Conference in Tunis, Tunisia had a working dinner on January 28, 2013 at Le Palace Hotel, site of the HFCC Conference. Present were NASB President Glen Tapley (WEWN), Vice President Brady Murray and Dr. Jerry Plummer (WWCR), Secretary-Treasurer Jeff White and Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Thais White (WRMI), board member George Ross and Shakti Verma (KTWR), Kevin and Nancy Chambers (World Christian Broadcasting) and Giuseppe Cirillo (better known as Pino, from AWR).

Topics discussed included upcoming Board position changes. At the NASB annual meeting in Birmingham in May, both Glen Tapley and Adrian

Peterson will be ending their second three-year terms, so they must go off the Board and be replaced by new members who will be elected in Birmingham. The new Board will appoint the president, vice president and secretary-treasurer positions.

Also discussed were the various talks and presentations to take place at the Birmingham meeting. It was noted that the agenda is already quite full. Jerome Hirigoyen of TDF-France informed us in Tunis of his intention to participate in the meeting in Birmingham, and he has been invited to give a presentation about TDF's shortwave transmission facility in Issoudun, France. A.J. Janitschek of Radio Free Asia submitted a list of possible presentations that he could give, and two were selected. Glen Tapley gave further information about plans for the annual meeting.

George Ross will be unable to attend the meeting, but he will send an updated report about KTWR's DRM transmissions. George mentioned that he has reached an agreement with the manufacturer of the DR111 DRM receiver to provide the radios, which normally cost \$120 each, for only \$67 each if a pool of stations can place an order of at least 10,000 units. NASB members are urged to contact George if they are interested in placing a bulk order ([gross@twr.org](mailto:gross@twr.org)).

The NASB dinner participants in Tunis discussed plans for the HFCC B13 Conference which will take place in Bratislava, Slovakia August 26-30, 2013. The conference is being sponsored by the NASB and Radio Slovakia International. A Wednesday excursion is planned to visit the Slovak National Radio building (the famous upside-down pyramid building) where Radio Slovakia International is headquartered. Sponsorship is being sought for the excursion, which will also include a brief sightseeing tour of Bratislava's Old Town area and a trip to a small town in the countryside outside of Bratislava for a dinner.

The schedule of upcoming HFCC conferences was discussed. After the B13 meeting in Bratislava, the A14 meeting will tentatively take place in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (sponsored by the Asia-Pacific Broadcasting Union). The B14 conference location is not confirmed yet, but offers have been received to hold it in Bulgaria, Turkey and possibly Germany. Pino mentioned the possibility of using the Lufthansa Conference Center in Darmstadt, near the Frankfurt airport in Germany, which has 400 rooms and direct transportation from the Frankfurt airport, although it usually has to be booked at least two years in advance. The A15 conference will probably take place in Tunis again, and an offer has been received by HCJB-Australia to host the B15 conference in Brisbane, Australia, which would be the first time an HFCC conference has ever been held in that country.

<http://www.facebook.com/nasbshortwave>

(Source : NASB Facebook Page) (via Alokesh Gupta, DXLD)

RADIO PHILATELY  
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NEW INTERNATIONAL REPLY COUPON INTRODUCED 02/06/2013

The Universal Postal Union (UPU) has introduced the newest model of the International Reply Coupon (IRC): The Doha model -- so named for the 25th Universal Postal Congress that took place in Doha, Qatar in October 2012 -- will replace the current model, known as the Nairobi model. Although the US Postal Service (USPS) no longer sells IRCs, they are still available in other countries and post offices in the US are mandated to redeem them. . .

<http://www.arrl.org/news/view/new-international-reply-coupon-introduced>  
(via Jose A. Kucher, condiglista yg via DXLD)

New International Reply Coupon Introduced

About New international reply coupons --- New design in 2013

The Czech Republic has won the UPU's competition to design a new international reply coupon (IRC), beating 13 other countries. The work of Czech artist and graphic designer Michal Sindelar will display the theme "Water for Life", chosen to reflect the 2013 UN International Year of Water Cooperation.

The new "Water for Life" IRC will go on sale on 1 July 2013. Postal customers will be able to exchange it until the end of 2017. It will replace the current coupon, known as the Nairobi model, which was first issued on 1 July 2009 and will remain valid until 31 December 2013.

How does it work?

When one writes to a stranger and requests a reply, it is considered polite to enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. This works well when both persons live in the same country; however, if they are from different countries, the enclosed postage stamp will not be valid.

This technical problem was solved in 1906 when the Universal Postal Union, during its Congress in Rome, introduced the International Reply Coupon service. As the service began before the days of airmail, the earliest coupons could only be redeemed for a single-rate ordinary postage stamp to a foreign country. In terms of today's UPU Convention, International reply coupons (IRC) are exchangeable in all member countries for the minimum postage of a priority item or an

unregistered airmail letter sent to a foreign country.

Mandatory to exchange

The UPU's International Bureau processes several million coupons each year and deals with of all accounting aspects. The International Bureau does not sell IRCs directly to customers; they must buy them from their local post office. Although Posts are not obliged to sell IRCs, it is mandatory for Posts to exchange the coupons. If a Post does not sell IRCs, it is possible to purchase them in a post office located in a neighbouring country.

ciao gigi (via Dario Monferini, Feb 10, playdx yg via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DTV see U K

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DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DRM See BELGIUM; GERMANY; NIGERIA; PORTUGAL;  
+++++ RUSSIA; SAIPAN; SARAWAK; TUNISIA; UK; C&C

RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM

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New "old" radio --- BARLOW WADLEY XCR 30 MARK II

Hello Glenn, Just wanted to tell you and the rest out there that I finally achieved a life long dream today. I found and purchased a Barlow Wadley XCR 30 Mark II radio on Ebay. This may sound funny to some, but back when I was a kid and became interested in shortwave listening, (early 70's), this little portable receiver was top of the line and was something I only could dream about owning. Many a night was spent drooling over its picture in shortwave listening magazines or reading about its famed "Wadley Loop" circuit. Its real advantages were a drift free circuit, direct analog readout that showed the exact frequency that you were on and it was a triple conversion receiver to boot.

It is a very rare and unique radio and a piece of history. Made in South Africa in the 1970's. Its circuit became the basis of many other radio's such as the Yeasu FRG-7, The DX-300 and 302 from Radio Shack, the Drake SSR 1 and others.

Back in the Seventies when looking at purchasing a shortwave set there were the three S's to look for: Sensitivity, Selectivity, Stability. Also Dial Accuracy was important. The Barlow Wadley solved all of these problems if you could afford it. To be fair, there were other radios at the time that would do just as well, such as the Drake SPR-4 or SW-4, but they were pricey too.

Anyhow, the radio is not working but that just gives me the chance to tear into it and hopefully bring it back to life. I will consider it a labor of love. The circuit incorporates some very clever designs, such as the antenna tuner that moves a ferrite rod through several coils that are automatically selected by a special cam on the control knob. The result is that you can tune the antenna to any frequency by just turning one knob. This radio is built like a tank, it has a die-cast aluminum front that is built into a metal box. Very impressive.

Well hopefully I will receive it next week. That's all for now I hope that if interested you will visit:

<http://www.barlowwadley.it/>

for more info about these radios.

Thanks, (Larry Beth, Bryant, AR, Feb 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Re: RADIANT BARRIER INSTALLATION IN ATTIC

It might block high angle skywave a bit, but not low angle stuff. My Mom's house has a very heavy aluminum foil on the walls under cedar clapboards - had it since the house was built in 1955. Tended to hurt FM a bit but no effect on AM. If you have it just on the roof, but not on the walls as well, you will probably be OK. You may need to experiment with positioning of MW loops and FM/SW whips but my hunch is that your comfort and energy savings are worth it (Phil Rafuse, VY2PR, Stratford PE Canada, Feb 8, ABDX via DXLD)

"NUMBERS STATION" (movie):

John Cusack, Malin Akerman under siege in new trailer

Digital Spy 13 February 2013

The Numbers Station has debuted a new trailer - view here:

<http://www.digitalspy.co.uk/movies/news/a458417/numbers-station-john-cusack-malin-akerman-under-siege-in-new-trailer.html>

The film stars John Cusack as a disaffected CIA agent who is given one last chance to prove himself. He is given the task of protecting Katherine (Malin Akerman), the operator of a top secret 'Numbers Station' that broadcasts encrypted messages to operatives. When the station is compromised, the pair must work together to prevent a global disaster. Kasper Barfoed has directed the film from the script by F Scott Frazier. The Numbers Station is scheduled for release in the US on April 26. A UK release date is yet to be confirmed.

<http://www.digitalspy.co.uk/>

(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

DIYMedia on the EAS Hacks

Professor John Anderson of Brooklyn College has great coverage of the Emergency Alert System hacks this week. It's at his must-read site <http://diymedia.net>

Happy World Radio Day, everybody!

(Benn Kobb, DC, Feb 13, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

#### PROPAGATION

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#### PASSING OF JACQUES D'AVIGNON, VE3VIA

Jacques D'Avignon who for many years provided propagation forecasts to several monthly periodicals, including the Ontario DX Association's "Listening In", passed away thursday Feb.7, Ottawa, after a lengthy illness. Wake to be held from 12 noon until 2p.m. service to follow on tuesday Feb 12 at the St. Laurent chapel of Hulse, Playfair and McGarry, 1200 Ogilvie Rd, near Aviation Parkway.

Our sympathies to his wife Michelle and family (Harold Sellers, Feb 10, ODXA yg via DXLD) obit

I remember meeting Jacques at one of the ODXA RadioFests / conventions - at the Ramada Downsview, if I recall - he was a nice guy who knew his stuff, that's for sure! (Richard Cuff / Allentown, PA USA, ibid.)

Rest in Peace, Jacques. The obituary from the Ottawa Citizen:  
<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/ottawacitizen/obituary.aspx?n=jacques-davignon&pid=162948194&fhid=5975#fbLoggedOut>  
(Mark Coady, ibid.)

The late Jacques D'Avignon --- I worked for a time as a public affairs officer at the Communications Research Centre in Ottawa in the 1970s and knew (and, as a 'ham' of course took a special interest in knowing!) the small group of PhDs and other scientists that specialized in Ionospheric physics, propagation studies and the like. Don't recall Jacques, so that makes me curious who he worked for in this relatively specialized field with few employers, or ?????? was this simply a hobby for this very knowledgeable guy?

Message From: (Mike Bryan, Stittsville, Ontario CANADA K2S 1E5, ibid.)

Yes, just a hobby for him, I believe - although a serious one!  
(Harold Sellers, ibid.)

P.I.G. BULLETIN 130210

Geomagnetic field will be:  
quiet on February 17 - 21, 26 - 28, March 5 - 6, 9.

mostly quiet on February 24 - 25, March 3, 7 - 8.  
quiet to unsettled on February 11 - 16, March 1, 4.  
quiet to active on February 22, March 2, 10.  
active to disturbed on February 23.

High probability of changes in solar wind which may cause changes in magnetosphere and ionosphere is expected on February 12, (14 - 15, 21,) 22 - 23, (24, March 1, 4).

Remark: Parenthesis means lower probability of activity enhancement.

F. K. Janda, OK1HH, Czech Propagation Interest Group (OK1HH & OK1MGW, weekly forecasts since 1978) e-mail: ok1hh(at)rsys.cz (via Dario Monferini, WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DXLD)

Geomagnetic field activity was predominately quiet with two periods of unsettled conditions (08/0600-0900 UTC and 08/1500-1800 UTC) prompted by the 08/0400 UTC arrival of the 06 Feb CME described above.

#### FORECAST OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 11 FEBRUARY - 09 MARCH 2013

Solar activity is expected to be very low to low. No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit. The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels for most of the week, possibly reaching high levels on 13-18 February in response to positive polarity coronal holes/high speed streams (CHs/HSSs) 93 and 94.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be predominately quiet, with isolated unsettled conditions on 12 Feb, when the Hyder flare CME mentioned earlier is expected to arrive. Quiet to unsettled conditions are expected to persist through 16 February due to CH HSS effects.

:Product: 27-day Space Weather Outlook Table 27DO.txt

:Issued: 2013 Feb 11 1018 UTC

# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center

# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web

# <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/wwire.html>

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# 27-day Space Weather Outlook Table

# Issued 2013-02-11

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| # | UTC         | Radio Flux | Planetary | Largest  |
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|   | 2013 Feb 11 | 105        | 8         | 3        |
|   | 2013 Feb 12 | 105        | 8         | 3        |



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| 2013 Feb 14 | 100 | 8  | 3 |
| 2013 Feb 15 | 100 | 8  | 3 |
| 2013 Feb 16 | 95  | 8  | 3 |
| 2013 Feb 17 | 105 | 5  | 2 |
| 2013 Feb 18 | 115 | 5  | 2 |
| 2013 Feb 19 | 115 | 5  | 2 |
| 2013 Feb 20 | 110 | 5  | 2 |
| 2013 Feb 21 | 110 | 5  | 2 |
| 2013 Feb 22 | 105 | 12 | 3 |
| 2013 Feb 23 | 115 | 8  | 3 |
| 2013 Feb 24 | 115 | 5  | 2 |
| 2013 Feb 25 | 110 | 5  | 2 |
| 2013 Feb 26 | 105 | 5  | 2 |
| 2013 Feb 27 | 100 | 5  | 2 |
| 2013 Feb 28 | 100 | 5  | 2 |
| 2013 Mar 01 | 100 | 10 | 3 |
| 2013 Mar 02 | 100 | 8  | 3 |
| 2013 Mar 03 | 100 | 5  | 2 |
| 2013 Mar 04 | 95  | 5  | 2 |
| 2013 Mar 05 | 95  | 5  | 2 |
| 2013 Mar 06 | 95  | 5  | 2 |
| 2013 Mar 07 | 95  | 5  | 2 |
| 2013 Mar 08 | 95  | 5  | 2 |
| 2013 Mar 09 | 95  | 5  | 2 |

(SWPC via WORLD OF RADIO 1656, DXLD) #####